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Calvin College
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June 11-17, 1982

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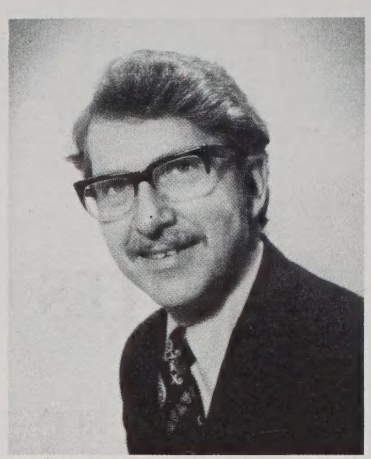

MODERATOR OF SYNOD—1982
Pastor Kenneth G. Smith, D.D.
Covenant Fellowship Congregation

FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 1982, 7:30 P.M.

The One Hundred Fifty-Third Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment at Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan, on Friday, June 11, 1982, at 7:30 p.m. The Retiring Moderator, Pastor Robert B. Tweed, preached God's Word from Exodus 3:1-15 and II Corinthians 12:1-6 on the theme "Burnt But Not Consumed." After this he constituted the Court in prayer.

The Roll was made up and is as follows for all the meetings of this Synod:

THE ROLL OF SYNOD

Ruling Elders are indented

Adams, Roy, Eastvale	XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Backensto, Bruce, Colorado Springs	XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Basala, Richard, Deacon Delegate, Pacific Coast	XXXX XXXXXXXX
Baumgardner, Jack, 2nd Indianapolis	XX
Birdsall, Donald, Los Angeles	XXXXXXEXXXXXE
Blackwood, Roy, 2nd Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXXX

Boyle, Samuel, Orlando ..... XXXXXXXXEXXXX
Burns, Thomas, Almonte XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Carson, James, Los Angeles XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Caskey, Wyley, Allegheny XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Chao, Charles, Taiwan XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Conte, Stephen, Elkins Park XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Coon, David, White Lake ..... EEEXXXXXXXXXX
Copeland, E. Clark, Seminary XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Copeland, Joe, Hays XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Copeland, Stanley R., Bloomington XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Cornell, William, Cambridge XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Dobbs, James, Tusca XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Duffield, Wayne A., Rimersburg XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Duke, John, Westminster XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Edgar, John O., Lisbon XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Edgar, Kermit, Evanston ..... EEEEEEEEEEEEE
Elliott, D. Howard, Winchester XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Faris, Paul, Lisbon XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Felder, Donald, Geneva College ..... XXXXXXXXXXEEE
Finley, Paul, Walton XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Fox, Dennis, Columbus ..... EXXXXXXXXXXXE
Franklin, Godfrey ..... XXXXXXXXXXXXE
Fullerton, Robert, 1st Beaver Falls XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Gangadean, Surrendra, Phoenix XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Ganz, Richard, Ottawa ..... EXXXXXXXXXXEE
George, Glen, Geneva XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Good, Ronald, New Alexandria XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Gouge, Donald W., Fresno ..... XXXXXXXEXXXXX
Graham, Ronald, Belle Center ..... XXXXXXXEXXXXX
Harrington, Harold B., ... XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Heimburger, Robert F., 2nd Indianapolis ..... XXXXXXXXXXXEE
Hemphill, Bruce, Hays XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hemphill, E. Raymond XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hemphill, Robert, Shawnee XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Henning, Robert, Winchester XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hindman, J. Edward, Denison XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hughes, James A., Ottawa XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hutcheson, Thomas, M., Sterling XXXXXXXXXXXXX
James, J. Russell, Hebron ..... XXXXXXXXXXEEE
Johnson, Beatrice, Deacon Delegate, New York ..... XXXXXXE XXXXX
Joseph, Ralph, Superior-Beulah XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Joseph, Raymond P., West Lafayette ..... EEEXXXXXXXXXX
Ketterrer, Russell, First Beaver Falls XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Kilpatrick, Lester XXXXXXXXXXXXX

Keys, Lewis, Santa Ana	XXXXXXXXXX
Keys, Wilbur, Belle Center	EEEXXXXXXXXXX
Kincaid, Garland	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Koch, Robert, Southside Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Lamay, Robert, Topeka	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Long, William, West Lafayette	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Lowe, G. Duncan, State College	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Magill, Keith, Southside Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Martin, J. Bruce, Hebron	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Martin, Melville, Allegheny	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Martin, Paul, M.. Phoenix	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Mathews, R. Paul, Ogemaw	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McBurney, Kenneth, Almonte	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McBurney, Wendell, Bloomington	XXXXXX
McConaughy, Robert, College Hill	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McCracken, J. Paul, Westminster	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McCracken, Raymond, Minneola	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McCrory, Donald, Covenant Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McDonald, Paul, Deacon Delegate, Ohio-Illinois	EEEXXXXXXXXXX
McElroy, Robert L., Park City	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McFarland, Glenn, Santa Ana	XXXXXXXXXXX
McFarland, Joseph, Topeka	EXXXXXXXXXXE
McFarland, Marion L., Ogemaw	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McFarland, Robert, Quinter	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McIlwee, Dewey, Coldenham-Newburgh	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McKelvy, H. E., North Hills	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McKissick, Robert, Oakdale	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McMillan, John, Marion	XXXXXXXXXXXX
McMillan, Willard, Geneva College	XXXXXXXXXEEE
Milligan, Harold, Lawrence	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Milroy, Jerrold, Shawnee	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Morrow, Robert, Sparta	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Mullinnix, Donald, Covenent Fellowship, Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXX
O'Neill, Jerry, Columbus	XXXXXXXXXXXE
O'Neill, John, Winchester	XXXXX XXXXXX
Paul, Joseph, Broomall	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Peachy, David	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Pennington, James, Greeley	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Piper, Donald, Seattle	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Pockras, Philip, New Castle	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Porter, Curtis, Deacon Delegate, Midwest	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Price, Thomas, A. Jr., Sterling	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Rice, Robert	XXXXXXXXXXXX

Roby, Edward, Hetherton	EEEXXXXXXXXXX
Robson, Edward, Syracuse	XXXXXXXXXXXE
Shell, Ralph, Southfield	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Shoop, Orville, Marion	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Simons, William, Elkins Park	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Smith, Dean, College Hill	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Smith, Kenneth G., Covenant Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Spear, Wayne, Seminary	XXXXXXXXXEEX
Stegall, Ronald, Lawrence	XXXXXXXXX
Sterrett, Charles, Southfield	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Sterrett, Samuel, Oakdale	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Stewart, Bruce C., Seminary	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Swartz, Walter, Oswego	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Tweed, John H., Geneva	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Tweed, Robert, Anchorage	XXXXXXXXXXXX
VanOsdol, Randall, Sharon	XXXXXXXXXXXX
VerHage, Isaac, Fresno	XXXXXXXEXXXXX
Vos, Johannes G.	EEEEEEEEEEEEE
Watt, Jonathan, Manchester	XXXXXXXXXXXX
White, John H., Geneva College	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Wilsey, Martin, Eastvale	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Wilson, David, L., Deacon Delegate, Ioga	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Wilson, John K., Deacon Delegate, Pittsburgh	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Wissner, Jay, Allegheny	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Wright, J. Renwick, Covenant Fellowship	EEEEEEEEEEEEE
Wright, James, Orlando	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Wright, R. Paul, Shawnee	XXXXXXXXXXXX

Elder delegates without certificates were seated as members of the Court.

Elders who are not delegates to the Court were made consultative members and accorded the privileges of the floor for all the meetings of this Synod.

The following were introduced as delegates to the Court for the first time: Jonathan Watt, Manchester; Curtis Porter, deacon delegate from Midwest Presbytery; John K. Wilson, deacon delegate from Pittsburgh Presbytery; Donald McCrory, Covenant Fellowship; Dewey McIlwee, Coldenham-Newburgh; Robert Koch, Southside Indianapolis; James Hughes, Ottawa; Paul Finley, Walton, Russell Ketterer, First Beaver Falls; David L. Wilson, deacon delegate from Iowa Presbytery; John O'Neill, Winchester; Jerry O'Neill, Columbus; Harold Milligan, Lawrence; Richard Basala, deacon delegate from the Pacific Coast Presbytery.

The following officers were duly nominated and elected for this meeting of Synod: Kenneth G. Smith, Moderator; Paul M. Martin, Clerk; Stanley Copeland, Assistant Clerk.

The Memorial Service was held. The deaths of the following teaching elders were noted: S. Ray Blair, F. F. Reade, and Carl Ted Grayson. Memorials were read and are printed in the Appendix to the Minutes. The deaths of the following ruling elders were noted: John B. Sinclair, Washington, Iowa; William Jones, Elkins Park; Clarence Wilson, Stafford-Sterling; Charles M. Lee, College Hill; Millard Russell, Walton. Robert McConaughy led the Court in a prayer of thanksgiving for their lives and service.

The Report of the Clerk of Synod was taken up. Items 1-7 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE CLERK OF SYNOD

The clerk of the 1981 Synod respectfully reports that he has carried out the duties assigned to him by the Synod.

The **1981 Minutes of Synod and Yearbook** was edited by the clerk. Mr. Donald McCrory, Director of Publication and Educational Materials, helped extensively with the proof reading and printing arrangements. Let me express my thanks to him for this very valuable contribution. The typesetting and printing was done by Mercury Press in Pittsburgh. The **Minutes** were much larger this year due to the great amount of material printed in the **Appendix** to the **Minutes**. I apologize to Synod for the number of errors in the **Minutes**. Some of them and some additional information is found on the following page.

Letters were sent to all boards and committee chairmen reminding them that reports for Synod are to be in the hands of the clerk by April 15 for inclusion in the **Digest**. The **Docket** for the 1982 Synod has been prepared by the clerk, and will be included in the **Digest**. The **Digest** has been reproduced and mailed out by the Office of the Board of Education and Publication.

A Synopsis of Rules of Synod has been included in the **Docket**. I have included in the **Digest** a page number for all reports though some do not now have a printed report. You may include these when you receive them at Synod. This is to facilitate the organization of your reports. I have tried to give a specific time for each report on the **Docket**. If you have a report for Synod that has not been given a place on the **Docket** please let the clerk know so he can make a place on the **Docket** for it. The docket for the day may be completed before the time of recess or adjournment. Therefore to facilitate the

completion of business the clerk would like to call for unfinished business that may have a place later on the agenda. Please inform the clerk if you have a report that is ready and might be handled ahead of the scheduled time.

Recommendations:

1. That the order of business and the hours of meeting in the **Docket** be accepted as the agenda for this meeting of Synod.
2. That the parliamentarians for this meeting of Synod be Bruce C. Stewart, E. Clark Copeland and Robert B. Tweed.
3. That the precentor for this meeting of Synod be Wayne Spear.
4. That the Committee on Arrangements serve as the Committee on Announcements for this meeting of Synod. Ralph Joseph is Chairman.
5. That the Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study serve as the Courtesy Committee for this meeting of Synod. Bruce Stewart is Chairman.
6. That an offering be taken to defray the expenses of Synod on Tuesday morning following the reading of the **Minutes**.
7. That the following be referred to the Nominating Committee:
   a. Committee on Time and Place for the 1984 Synod.
   b. Those to whom letters of remembrance should be sent (**1974 Minutes** p. 60)
   c. Those to be elected to fill vacancies on Synod's boards and permanent committees.
8. That the duties of the Committee on Announcements be assigned as a regular duty of the Committee on Arrangements.
9. That the duties of the Courtesy Committee be made a regular duty of the Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study.
10. That Delegates to the NAE Convention and the assignment of Synod's member on the NAE Board of Administration be made a regular duty of the Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul M. Martin

CORRECTIONS TO THE 1981 MINUTES OF SYNOD

1. In order to understand the actions on pages 42 and 89 the following number changes need to be made: on page 102, number 11 should be 12; on 103 change 12 to 13, 13 to 14, and 14 to 15; on page 104 change 15 to 16, 16 to 17, 17 to 18, and 19 to 20.

2. On page 49 the first sentence of the last paragraph of the body of the report is to be deleted.
3. On page 129 the second sentence of the minute at the bottom of the page should read, Item 8 was amended and adopted. Item 9 was adopted as amended.
3. On page 149 the following additions should be made.
   Committee on Uniformity of Reports
   Robert Fullerton, Chairman; Robert McConaughy, John Mitchell.
   Committee on Long Range Planning
   Edward A. Robson, Chairman; James D. Carson, Joseph Lamont, William L. Long, Edwin C. Clarke, Robert Copeland, John Tweed.

Following the singing of Psalm 46 the Court was adjourned in prayer by Thomas Hutcheson.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 1982, 8 A.M.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment on Saturday, June 12, 1982, at 8 a.m. at Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

The Court was led in devotions by Wayne Spear. He preached on the theme, "The Gospel and Relationships" from the Book of Romans. The Court was constituted in prayer by James Wright.

The Minutes were read and adopted.

The following papers were presented:

82-1 **From the St. Lawrence Presbytery concerning the formation of the Ottawa Theological Hall was received. A time is to be set by the officers of the Court for the hearing of Dr. Ganz.**

82-2 **From the Pittsburgh Presbytery concerning the matter of participating in a teachers strike was referred to a special committee to be appointed by the Nominating Committee to report to this meeting of Synod.**

82-3 **From the St. Lawrence Presbytery concerning the care for students of Theology was referred to the Committee of Presbytery Representatives and Seminary Faculty.**

82-4 **From several members of the Court concerning the appointment of a Commission of Synod to examine a manuscript concerning the constitutional make up of a person was referred to the Judicial Committee.**

The Moderator announced the following committees:

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

Nominating Committee
Donald Piper, Chairman
Bruce Martin (2 years)
Paul Finley (2 years)
Orville Shoop
Joe McFarland
Donald McCrory

Judicial Committee
Bruce Hemphill, Chairman
William Cornell
Harold Harrington
Surrendra Gangadean
James Hughes
Donald Birdsall

Resolution of Thanks

Walter Swartz
Robert Heimberger

Committee to Canvass the Overture
David Coon
David Peachy
Joe Copeland

COMMITTEES TO EXAMINE RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES

Iowa
Willard McMillan
James Carson
William Simons

Midwest
Robert McMillan
John O. Edgar
Russell Ketterer

New York
Jerrold Milroy
Melville Martin
Harold Milligan

Ohio-Illinois
Randall VanOsdol
Edward Hindman
Robert Rice

Pacific Coast
Tom Price
Martin Wilsey
Glenn George

Pittsburgh
Isaac VerHage
Robert McKissick
John Duke

St. Lawrence
Robert Hemphill
Roy Blackwood
Jay Wissner

Japan
Paul McCracken
Ray Hemphill
Ralph Shell

Committee on Paper 82-11 (Ottawa Theological Hall)
James D. Carson, Chairman
John Tweed
Walter Swartz
Donald Felker

Committee on Paper 82-5 (Committee on Signs of the Times)
Willard McMillan, Chairman
Ray Joseph
Godfrey Franklin
William Simons

The Report of the Stated Clerk was taken up, amended, adopted and is as follows:

STATED CLERK'S REPORT
December 31, 1981

Your Stated Clerk is pleased to report that there is an increase of 77 members since last year. This is the largest increase in membership since 1944 when the members of the South China Presbytery were added to the roll. This increase shows that the Lord is blessing the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America and we are starting to grow. May the Lord continue to bless us and cause us to reach out in His name.

Listed below are the statistics for 1981:

MEMBERSHIP

	12/31/81	12/31/80
Communicant Members	3,919	3,866
Baptized Members	1,203	1,179
Total Membership	**5,122**	**5,045**
Increases		
By Baptism	133	113
By Profession of Faith	135	103
From Other R.P. Congregations	147	144
From Other Denominations	75	66
Other	30	16
Total Increase	**520**	**442**
Decreases		
Deaths	50	61
To Other R.P. Congregations	153	123
To Other Denominations	97	111
Other	143	181
Total Decrease	**443**	**476**

CONGREGATIONAL FINANCES

	12/31/81	12/31/80
Beginning Balances	**$ 405,173**	**$ 390,917**
Receipts:	**2,762,468**	**2,404,684**
Disbursements:		
Pastors Salaries	974,564	864,561
Synod's Budget	224,925	218,053
Other R.P. Works	212,204	139,186
Other	1,357,333	1,168,628
Total Disbursements	**2,769,026**	**2,390,428**
Ending Balances	**$ 398,615**	**$ 405,173**

CONGREGATIONS

	12/31/81	12/31/80
Congregations	70	69
Mission Stations	4	5
Men Under Care of Presbyteries	24	22
Licensed to Preach	6	8
Elders	282	280
Deacons	257	266
Missionaries	8	9
Sabbath School Average Attendance	2,716	2,931
Sabbath Worship Average Attendance	3,702	3,723
Young People's Societies	164	206
Congregations Organized		
Colorado Springs		1/17/81
Ottawa		5/27/81
Congregations Disorganized		
Wilkinsburg		5/31/81

MINISTERS

	1980	1981	Pastors	Other Church Work	Retired	Other
Iowa	3	3	3			
Midwest	26	30	15	1	8	6
New York	7	8	7			1
Ohio-Illinois	20	22	14		2	6
Pacific Coast	8	8	6			2
Pittsburgh	34	31	10	12	8	1
St. Lawrence	10	9	6	2		1
Japan	3	3	3			
Totals	**111**	**114**	**64**	**15**	**18**	**17**

Ordained and Installed

William Edgar	Broomall	02/28/81
Joseph Paul	Broomall	02/28/81
Martin Wilsey	Eastvale	06/03/81
Jerry F. O'Neill	Columbus	09/25/81

Installed

Bruce Backensto	Colorado Springs	01/17/81
Richard Ganz	Ottawa	05/27/81
Thomas A. Price, Jr.	Sterling	08/21/81
Robert LaMay	Topeka	09/23/81
Robert Fullerton	First Beaver Falls	10/09/81
Ralph Joseph	Superior Beulah	11/04/81

Ministers Received

Robert LaMay		05/16/81
Eric McQuitty		09/24/81

Released from Pastoral Charges

Robert McCracken	Walton	01/04/81
T. M. Hutcheson	Superior Beulah	02/28/81
Philip Martin	Fresno	03/01/81
Richard Ganz	Almonte	05/27/81
Thomas A. Price, Jr.	Tusca Area	06/20/81
Charles Leach	Syracuse	06/30/81
Godfrey Franklin	Selma	08/10/81
Gordon Keddie	North Hills	08/31/81
Robert Fullerton	Manchester	09/30/81
David Patterson	Clarinda	11/11/81

Ministers Removed By Death

F. F. Reade		07/05/81
S. Ray Blair		12/18/81

Minister Given Letter of Standing

Gordon Keddie		08/31/81

Ruling Elders Removed by Death

Alan Burns	Almonte	03/01/81
John B. Sinclair	Washington	09/18/81
William Jones	Elkins Park	11/08/81

Licentiates

William Blackwood	Ohio-Illinois
William Roberts	Ohio-Illinois
Robert Schmidtberger	Ohio-Illinois
Robert Henninger	Ohio-Illinois
Paul Finley	Ohio-Illinois
Byron Curtis	Pittsburgh

Jack Delivuk	Pittsburgh	
Kenneth Hoffman	Pittsburgh	
Clifford Glovier	Pittsburgh	
Carter Rowe	St. Lawrence	
Jonathan Watt	St. Lawrence	

ADDENDA

Released From Pastoral Charge		
Isaac VerHage	Hetherton	01/31/82
Ronald Nickerson	Washington	04/03/82
Installed		
Isaac VerHage	Fresno	02/19/82
Minister Removed By Death		
C. Ted Grayson		03/11/82
Congregations Organized		
Covenant Fellowship of Indianapolis		05/21/82
Ministers Suspended		
Ronald Nickerson	Washington	04/03/82
Ordained and Installed		
Jonathan Watt	Manchester	06/04/82
Paul Finley	Walton	04/28/82
Licentiates		
Daniel H. Kepple	Pittsburgh	05/22/82
William Pihl	Pacific Coast	06/10/82

Roy Blackwood led in prayer thanking God for the blessing reflected in the report of the Stated Clerk.

The Report of the Trustees of Synod was taken up. Items 1-6 were referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 7-10 were referred to the Committee on Finance. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF SYNOD

The Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America held three regular meetings since the last meeting of Synod with 100% attendance at all meetings. The current members of the Board are: John T. Duke, John P. Edgar, Louis D. Hutmire, Joseph Lamont, Jr., Stewart M. Lee, Donald H. McBurney, John M. Mitchell, Ronald H. Stegall, and R. Alan Windham.

The Executive Committee, composed of the officers of the Board, conducts Board business between meetings, when necessary.

The Building Loan Committee continues to administer the Building Loan Fund according to the procedures adopted by Synod. As of December 31, 1981, the Fund had assets totaling $336,715 of which $274,080 was on loan as mortgages. In 1981, new mortgages were issued to the New Alexandria Congregation, the Lawrence Congregation and the Colorado Springs Congregation. Further financial information is available in Synod's Treasurer's Report which has been distributed to each member of Synod.

The Investment Committee manages the investments of the Board. The funds invested include the portfolio of securities which is attached to the Audit Report and had a market value on December 31, 1981 of about $4,000,000 and General Fund Mortgages totaling $234,198. Paine Webber Jackson & Curtis is our investment advisor and we are quite satisfied with their service. The Investment Committee still makes the final decision on all transactions.

The 1979 Synod passed a special resolution (**Minutes of Synod**, p. 45) that "the Trustees should re-examine the matter of it's investments in corporations in the light of our prophetic calling as a denomination." The Trustees have studied this topic over the past three years and have adopted the following investment guidelines:

The following have been adopted as guides to investment policy, overall investment strategy and individual investment decisions. They are guidelines, not absolute rules either individually or collectively.

Implementation and application of these guidelines is not expected to cause liquidation of all investments. Rather, as God presents investment situations particular decisions will be made with reference to these guidelines.

None of these guidelines is inconsistent with the others, but there will be tensions among them in particular situations. Competing interests and concerns will have to be balanced in considering any one investment, choices among investments, and the total investment portfolio. These guidelines cannot be mechanically or absolutely applied. They must all be considered as part of the sound judgement required in each decision. It is to be expected that each decision will reflect a particular balance among them.

1. We will seek to honor God in the stewardship of capital.
2. We will seek to invest in those trying to honor God in their use of the capital under our stewardship.
3. We will endeavor to be good neighbors and employers by our investments in light of Scripture, including James 5.
4. We will seek a reasonably competitive return.

5. We will avoid high risk investments.
6. We will avoid consumer loans and home mortgages.
7. We will try to keep high liquidity and prefer short term commitments.
8. Congregations and presbyteries may be called upon for information, advice, guarantees, or participation.
9. Our investments are made as Trustees for the entire Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America not just for the benefit of any one individual or group. Even the appearance of impropriety should be avoided.

In accordance with the above guidelines, the Trustees have entered into a credit agreement with the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association to lend up to $750,000 to the Association over the next four years. As part of this agreement, the Trustees have deposited with a bank approximately $237,000 of investments (with a market value at December 31, 1981, of $831,000) as a guarantee of performance.

The Stewardship Committee continues to promote Synod's Budget and encourages people to include the R.P.C.N.A. in their wills. The Committee promotes Synod's Budget by using posters, bulletin covers, direct mail brochures and ads in the **Covenanter Witness**. The **Covenanter Witness** mailing list is used for the direct mailings but the Trustees are considering establishing a denominational mailing list using a computer. Each board or department of the Church could have their own code so they could specify who would receive their mailings. Congregations are urged to submit a mailing list of their members and adherents to assist in compiling this list. Bulletin covers are available at this Synod and each pastor or elder delegate should take a supply for their congregation.

Synod's Budget for 1981 was set at $275,000. The total contributions received were $260,650 which is only $2,900 more than last year. This left a deficit of $14,350.35 which is included in our recommendations to be paid from Undesignated Funds of Synod. The contributions received are as follows:

	1981	1980
Iowa Presbytery	$ 7,837	$ 15,219
Midwest Presbytery	67,683	61,167
New York Presbytery	14,179	19,152
Ohio-Ill. Presbytery	41,281	36,554
Pacific Coast Presby.	20,864	18,782
Pittsburgh Presbytery	59,736	57,108
St. Lawrence Presby.	11,923	11,550
Total Presbyteries	223,503	219,532

Women's Synodical	26,831	25,778
Individuals	10,315	12,434
Total Contributions	260,649	257,744
Transfer from Undes. Fds.	24,801	1,013
Total Received	285,450	258,757
Total Distributed	275,000	275,000
Beginning Balance	(24,801)	(8,558)
Ending Balance	$(14,351)	$(24,801)

A report of the 1981 receipts for Synod's Budget is included in the Treasurer's Report. This report shows the amount received from each congregation and compiles some comparative figures which we trust will be used constructively by each congregation in determining their contribution to Synod's Budget in 1982. The 1982 Synod's Budget is $300,000 so congregations are urged to consider this increase and plan, budget and pray accordingly.

Bequests received in 1981 are as follows:

Undesignated:	
J. W. Jamieson	$ 4,597.79
Mary Cabeen	3,645.30
Ina J. P. Dudley	670.45
Cecil J. S. MacLaughlin	90,614.42
Total Undesignated	99,527.96
Designated:	
Anna M. Johnson, F.M.B.	1,418.36
Jessa E. Mooney, F.M.B.	1,026.62
H.M.B.	1,026.63

A financial report on the Undesignated Funds of Synod is included in the Treasurer's Report. This includes $265,516 received in 1981, $158,384 was distributed in 1981 and $63,400 was distributed in 1982 as per the recommendation of the 1981 Finance Committee and adopted by Synod. This leaves $95,462.86 as of April 30, 1982 available for distribution by this Synod.

The total income received from the Cecil J. S. MacLaughlin Trusts as of April 30, 1982 is $106,543.22. The value of the trusts and the approximate annual income has not been fully established.

The Trustees have again retained Deloitte Haskins & Sells as the auditors for 1981. Their audit report for 1981 is available for distribution. Please note that Deloitte Haskins & Sells have included our holdings in Cyprus and have reported in note #8 on page 15 that the assets in Cyprus are approximately $570,000. The Central Bank of Cyprus cur-

rently allows us to bring C£5,000 principal annually plus all interest into the U.S. which is then credited to the Foreign Mission Board.

The Board continues to administer a Blue Cross/Blue Shield Program which is available to all full time employees of the denomination. We currently have 63 families enrolled in the program. New employees can join the group on the first day of the month following their employment. Others may join on the anniversary of the program which is August 1st. Please contact the Treasurer for information and/or application cards.

The Trustees also continue to carry a blanket travel insurance policy which covers anyone traveling on church business, including Synod, boards and committees and presbytery or presbytery committees. Please contact the Treasurer for further information.

Recommendations:

1. That, since the terms of Louis D. Hutmire, John M. Mitchell and Ronald H. Stegall expire at this Synod, we nominate these persons along with Donald H. Mullinnix to be on the ballot.
2. That, since John M. Mitchell has exceeded Synod's two consecutive term rule adopted by the 1981 Synod, he nevertheless be nominated for his eighth consecutive term because of his experience, training and accessibility.
3. That, since the Treasurer is required by the Trustees of Synod's Charter to be a member of the Board, Louis D. Hutmire be nominated for his fifth consecutive term.
4. That Louis D. Hutmire, whose term as Denominational Treasurer expired on September 30, 1981, be re-elected for a three-year term retroactively to October 1, 1981.
5. That Louis D. Hutmire, whose term as Stated Clerk of Synod expired at the 1981 Synod, be re-elected retroactively for a three-year term.
6. That Synod reconsider and rescind the action of the 1981 Synod which limits the membership on boards and permanent committees to two consecutive terms.
7. That the Treasurer's salary for 1983 be set at $24,000, and that his pension assessment, currently $399.00, be paid as a fringe benefit.
8. That the Unallocated Denominational Office Budget of $68,685 for 1983 be approved.
9. That the 1981 Audit Report be accepted and included in the Minutes of Synod.

10. That the Undesignated Funds of Synod be distributed as follows:

a. Geneva College	$45,000.00
b. Woman's Association	40,000.00
c. Board of Education & Publication	1,000.00
d. Seminary	9,462.80
e. Synod's Budget deficit from 1981	14,350.35

Louis D. Hutmire, Secretary

Rev. Marinus Goote, fraternal delegate from the Christian Reformed Church was introduced and granted the privileges of the floor.

The Report of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College was taken up. Item 1 was adopted. The Report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College was taken up, received and appears with the Report of the Corporators. Item 2 was adopted. President Donald Felker addressed the Court on behalf of the College. Item 3 was referred to the Nominating Committee. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOARD OF CORPORATORS OF GENEVA COLLEGE June, 1982

The Board of Corporators of Geneva College met on June 11, 1982 at Calvin College in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

We are thankful to the Lord for His provision and care of Geneva College this past year. Dr. Felker shared with the Corporators several things happening at the College. A new program for faculty development was well received by the staff. The courses offered can lead to a certificate of theology if desired. The Center for Urban Theological Studies has an increased enrollment and is getting good involvement from the church leadership of the Black community. Dr. Felker also stated the Board of Trustees will be working on revisions of the charter and by-laws in the coming year.

The following persons were elected to the Board of Trustees—Class of 1985:

Nominated by the Board of Trustees: Lumley Wilson

Nominated by the Alumni Association: Dorothy Hoenstine, Wayne Luce

Representatives of the Reformed Presbyterian Church: Roy Blackwood, James D. Carson, Joseph McFarland, Delyte Morris, J. Merrill Robb, Dean R. Smith, Bruce Stewart.

The following persons were elected to the Board of Corporators—Class of 1985:

Nominated by the Corporators: Robert Baumgartner, Douglas Carson, David Molnar, William Weir.

The officers of the Board of Corporators:
President: J. Renwick Wright
Vice President: Wayne Duffield
Secretary: Robert Baumgartner
Treasurer: John Wilson

The next meeting of the Board of Corporators will be held in conjunction with Synod at Geneva College in Beaver Falls, Pa., on June 4, 1983.

Recommendations:

1. That Dr. K. G. Smith be heard on the floor of Synod on behalf of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College.
2. That Dr. Donald Felker be heard on behalf of the Geneva College Administration.
3. That the following be elected to the Board of Corporators: John Vincze to the Class of '85; Paul Patterson to the Class of '83 to replace Kenneth G. Smith; Christian Hallstein to the Class of '84 to replace Brian O'Leary.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Baumgartner,
Secretary

REPORT OF THE GENEVA COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO THE BOARD OF CORPORATORS
May 14, 1982

The 1981-82 school year marks Dr. Felker's first full year as President of Geneva College. He has assumed this responsibility with vigor and enthusiasm. The inaugural festivities on September 4, 1981, were planned and executed by a committee of faculty, trustees and students under the chairmanship of Dr. William Russell.

Dr. J. Merrill Robb who had served as President of the Board of Trustees for the past 28 years was honored by fellow-trustees at the meeting on October 10, 1981, at which time Rev. Kenneth G. Smith was elected to chair the Board.

In the interest of good stewardship and by special action of the Trustees, it was decided that the Board should have only three regular meetings a year—one in the fall to coincide with Homecoming, one meeting in the Spring before the Spring Recess and one meeting the Friday before Commencement, consequently the Board has held

meetings on October 16, 1981, March 5, 1982 and May 14, 1982. The Executive Committee of the Board has met monthly with President Felker to handle interim business, to be briefed on college activities and to counsel with President Felker. Reports of these meetings are mailed to all of the Trustees so that all can be kept more informed on the day-to-day activities of the college. To maintain a more logical division between the academic years, action was taken to establish the end of the fiscal year for 1981-82, and subsequent years, as May 31 instead of June 30.

These are real testing times for higher education and good stewardship of our resources must be maintained in all areas of college life so that Geneva College may continue to be not only a viable institution but that it may more effectively prepare and equip the students whom God is pleased to bring to us. Faculty and students are at the heart of the institution. The 59 full-time members of the faculty (51% of which have earned doctorates) are therefore being challenged to be innovative and realistic in their planning for the future.

Enrollment for the first semester of the 1981-82 school year was 1,211 students in day school and 148 in the evening school; in the second semester 1,142 students were registered for day school and the evening registration was 154. It is expected that 247 students will be graduated at the 1982 Commencement exercises; 237 will receive bachelor's degrees and 10 will receive associate degrees.

Four students, Steven E. Fritz, John H. Grosh, Elizabeth M. Prence and Judith A. Wilson, all of whom have a 3.8 or better credit point average have been the recipients of the 1981-82 Trustee scholarships.

Some changes in the departmental structure of the College are being made, along with some new academic offerings. A cooperative program has been worked out with the Community College of Beaver County, so that Geneva College will offer a degree program in Aviation beginning with the 1982-83 academic year. This program leads to either a professional pilot's license or a private pilot's license and certification in air traffic control. The Geneva degree is the Bachelor of Science in Business Administration which includes the college's liberal arts core curriculum and enhances career potention for administrative and management positions in the field of Aviation.

The program for black pastors through the Center for Urban Theological Studies in Philadelphia increases in enrollment.

In response to our application an Energy Conservation Grant of $146,000.00 was received. Implementation of the findings from this study have resulted in considerable savings in energy costs.

Significant gifts have been received from the Earle M. and Margaret Peters Craig Charitable Trust—a pledge of $100,000 to be used for the final demolition of the Armstrong Cork property; $66,000.00 of this pledge has been received this year and the remainder will be given next year. The largest gift in Geneva's history was received when a $500,000.00 grant from the Glenmede Trust in Philadelphia ($250,000.00 to be given this year with the remaining $250,000.00 to come the following year) was made to be applied toward the purchase of a Digital Equipment Corporation VAX 11-780 series system, a high performance multi-programming computer system which will upgrade our computer facilities and provide a service program for up to 15 local high schools. $75,000.00 was pledged through the annual Alumni phon-a-thon, our best participation yet. In the midst of these things, we are moving toward reducing the amount of gift income needed for day to day operation of the College, so that funds can be available for academic improvement programs.

Due to their growing unrest, on October 1, 1981 the faculty voted to establish a faculty "assembly" for the purpose of informal discussion of academic and other college issues without the constraints of parliamentary procedure. Dr. Felker has kept the Board fully informed of this development, and the Chairman of the Faculty Assembly, Willard McMillan, has met with the Executive Committee at the December 16, 1981 meeting and also with the Board of Trustees at the March 5, 1982 expressing the faculty's deep concerns. Inasmuch as certain actions of the Administration have not been favorably received by some of the faculty, representatives of the Board under Dr. Felker's leadership met with faculty representatives. It is our opinion that the differences are real, but by no means insurmountable; in many instances they are being resolved. Lines of communication are being strengthened, and both the administration and the faculty are endeavoring to develop a spirit of trust and co-laborship that will enable the college to advance.

The Board of Trustees notes, therefore, that this has been a difficult year for our College. We are persuaded that in the midst of change under Dr. Felker's presidency a commendable level of grace and charity has marked the interactions, bearing strong testimony to God's continued blessing. It is gratifying to note that as the school term drew to a close members of faculty, student body and administration gathered for an all-school worship assembly to thank God for the year, followed by small groups meeting for particular prayer. There remains, therefore, a deepening commitment to our motto "Pro Christo et Patria," and a growing vision of how we as Christians can change our world.

Many events of interest to the Christian community have been held on campus during the year. Among speakers for these events have been Miss Joni Eareckson, author and speaker; Dr. Donald J. MacNair, Executive Director, National Presbyterian Missions; Dr. Ronald Sider, Professor of Theology at Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary; Dr. David Wells, Professor of Historic and Systematic Theology at Gordon-Conwell Seminary.

1982 Commencement exercises are to be held in Metheny Fieldhouse on May 17 at which time Dr. Elisabeth Elliot Gren, Writer-in-Residence, Gordon College, will be the speaker. The Baccalaureate service is set for Sabbath evening, May 16. Dr. William Brownson, Professor of Homiletics at Western Theological Seminary, Holland, Michigan, will preach.

At the 1982 Commencement exercises honorary degrees are to be conferred upon:

Mrs. Elisabeth Elliot Gren, Writer-in-Residence, Gordon College, the Doctor of Literature degree

Donald J. MacNair, Executive Director of National Presbyterian Missions, the Doctor of Divinity degree

The values of the college property and of the endowment fund are:

	1982 (Audit of 6/30/81)	1981 (Audit of 6/30/80)
Land	$ 1,528,726	$1,528,726
Buildings	29,845,546	27,921,323
Equipment and Furnishings	3,315,264	3,158,387
Total Physical Plant	**$34,689,536**	**$32,608,436**
Market value of endowment	$ 5,807,825	$ 5,187,951
Size of campus	(112.208 acres)	(112.208 acres)

The terms of the following trustees expire this year and their successors should be chosen:

Representing the church: Roy Blackwood, Jr., James D. Carson, Joseph McFarland, Delyte Morris, J. Merrill Robb, Dean R. Smith, Bruce C. Stewart

Representing the Alumni: Mrs. Arthur Hoenstine, Wayne S. Luce

Trustee Nominated: Lumley F. Wilson

In addition there are two vacancies in the class of "Trustees Nominated" trustees; the term of one expires in 1982, the second in 1983.

We would respectfully request that President Donald W. Felker be heard on behalf of the College by the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth G. Smith, President
Jean L. Hemphill, Secretary

The Court was recessed in prayer by Isaac VerHage.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12, 1982, 12:30 P.M.

Following the singing of Psalm 72 the Synod was reconvened in prayer by R. Wyley Caskey.

The Roll was noted.

The Minutes were read and adopted.

The Report of the Pension Trustees was taken up. Item 1 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 2 and 3 were referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 4 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted. In keeping with item 4 the Court was led in prayer by J. Paul McCracken. The Report is as follows:

REPORT OF PENSION TRUSTEES

"Rise in the presence of the aged, show respect for the elderly and revere your God. I am the Lord." Lev. 19:32

The Pension Trustees have gone through a year of adjustments. First, the Lord in His glory has taken our secretary, S. Ray Blair. Ray was one of the founding fathers of the new pension plan that was adopted by Synod as of January 1, 1974. His wife is the first person to benefit from this new pension and insurance program.

Secondly the Pension Trustees have organized into four (4) committees that oversee the daily work of the Pension Trustees. The four (4) committees are:

Finance Committee
Insurance Committee
Investment Committee
Policy Committee

The Policy Committee consists of the chairmen of the three (3) other committees and the chairman of the Pension Trustees and among its duties it is to act as the Executive Committee between meetings of the Pension Trustees.

For pension purposes Synod has set pastor's (employees) contribution of 3% at the following rate:

Experience	**5 Years**	**4 Years**	**3 Years**	**2 Years**	**1 Year**	**None**
Contributions	$399	$381	$363	$345	$327	$309

Each congregation is assessed $10 per communicant member for funding the pension program of the Church along with the 3% from employees and a grant from Synod's Budget.

Presently pensions from "Plan A" are being paid to 26 couples and 19 singles. The couples are receiving $225 per month and the singles are receiving $190 per month. In 1981 the Pension Trustees paid out $99,798.86. In 1982 we estimated we will pay out $105,000 with one couple to be added. In 1983 we estimated we will pay out $105,000 with another couple to be added.

For those ordained pastors receiving pensions from the Pension Trustees forty percent (40%) of the pension received shall be designated as an allowance to maintain their home, which shall include payments on the dwelling place, furniture, appurtenances thereto, and utilities.

For those ordained pastors and other employees who **will be** or **are** receiving pensions from the Pension Trustees under "Plan A" you are requested to forward to the treasurer, Louis D. Hutmire, your contributions to the Pension Trustees (Board). This information should be for years prior to January 1974 and the amount you contributed each year. This information is needed so you can deduct from your pension the amount you contributed from the pension you receive in the first three (3) years.

Again, we want to remind the presbyteries (Clerk) of the need to inform the Pension Trustees (Secretary) of action taken by the presbyteries of licensures, ordinations, installations, and changes from active to inactive service.

Recommendations:

1. That Synod grant the sum of $53,650 to the Pension Trustees.
2. That John Smith be appointed to fill the unexpired term (Class of 1983) of S. Ray Blair.
3. That Dennis Wing and Don Weilersbacher be elected for a three (3) year term to the Class of 1985.
4. That following the adoption of this report that the Synod rise for prayer as J. Paul McCracken leads in prayer for those who have served the Church in past years.

In Christ,

Class of 1982
John Smith, Chairman
Dennis Wing
Class of 1983
Carl Mathews
Class of 1984
Robert Catloth, Secretary
Robert Morrow
Dennis Olson

The Report of the Committee on Arrangements was taken up, adopted, and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

Your committee would respectfully report that much of the work usually done by this committee has been done by a joint committee made up of representatives of each of the participating bodies to this meeting.

We have made arrangements for one speaker for the joint worship services being held each day of the Synod meetings and for a worship service on the Lord's Day.

We would like to thank first of all our Lord for His graciousness to us during the planning of the program and then the speakers who readily agreed to take the assigned responsibilities and the College who has provided the facilities.

Two members of the committee are finishing their assignments this year and should be replaced: Richard McMillan and Ralph Joseph. The Synod should also be aware that this committee was set up as a four member committee with two to be added each year, but last year due to some confusion, three members were added. It is our recommendation that the nominating committee take whatever steps deemed prudent to balance the committee membership. A member of the committee should be designated as chairman.

Joe Baumgartner
Milton Harrington
Richard McMillan
C. S. Sterrett
Ralph E. Joseph, Chairman

The Report of the Committee for the Verbal Revision of the Westminster Confession of Faith was taken up. The Committee was retained. The Report is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR THE VERBAL REVISION OF THE WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

In the absence of a regular report from the chairman of the committee, Dr. Renwick Wright, I would simply remind the Synod of the nature of this committee's assignment (pp. 20, 21 of the **Minutes of Synod**, 1981) which is to promote the use of the modern-language version of the Westminster Confession of Faith within our church and to organize its evaluation for the Synod of 1984.

If the present Synod desires they might continue the Committee in existence towards the realization of that 1984 date.

Respectfully submitted,
G. Duncan Lowe, Secretary

The Report of the Committee to Organize a Celebration of the 250th Anniversary of the Founding of the Secession Church was taken up. Items 1 and 2 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

By special resolution this Committee was assigned the task of preparing "for a suitable commemoration of the 250th anniversary of the formation of the original Secession Church of Scotland" to be implemented "at our meeting of Synod," (**1981 Minutes of Synod**, p. 85).

Your Committee reports that we have held three meetings since the meeting of Synod.

Inasmuch as the Associate Presbyterian Church began with the formation of the Associate Presbytery by Ebenezer Erskine, William Wilson, Alexander Moncrieff and James Fisher, on Dec. 6, 1733, at Gairney Bridge, the anniversary celebration would most appropriately be held at the 1983 meeting of Synod.

Your Committee is requesting that one evening during the 1983 meeting of Synod be set aside for this celebration. It is our objective to give due consideration to the historical circumstances and issues and at the same time to make the celebration relevant and applicable to contemporary problems. Interestingly enough, the debate over the mediatorial reign of Christ and the legitimacy of a particular government between the AP's and RP's is having increasing application to our contemporary situation. Moreover, it is our hope to stimulate thinking rather than to provide answers to either historical or current problems.

In this light the Committee is working on developing a special program of approximately one hour in length. The program would ahve two basic segments separate by a brief period of praise. **Part one** would be a consideration of the historical background, significant issues, and persons. Pastor Philip Pockras has agreed to give this presentation. **Part Two** would be a panel discussion of parallel contemporary issues, which might include such atters as church and state, government and education, the role of the Supreme Court, involvement with the Moral Majority, the extent of the Christian's obligations in such matters, and the like. Dr. Sam Boyle has agreed to moderate this portion of the program.

It is our hope to have an appropriate display, emphasizing the history of the Associate Presbyterian Church, including significant works, other literature, and pictures.

Your committee would be glad to receive any suggestions that members of the Synod might have.

Recommendations:

1. That Synod approve the general direction of the Committee's work as reflected in the body of the report.
2. That the Committee on Arrangements for the 1983 meeting of Synod provide an evening for this celebration.

Respectfully submitted,
David Carson
John Montini
Philip Pockras
Wayne Duffield, Chr.

The Report of the Committee on Communion and Baptized Children was taken up. Items 1-4 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

ASSIGNMENT: This committee originated in the 1981 Synod out of the Report of the Committee to Examine the Records of Presbyteries with respect to the **Minutes** of St. Lawrence Presbytery and their record of "young children" being invited to the Lord's Supper in the Rochester Fellowship. The Recommendation states:

> That Synod appoint a special committee to study the relationship of children to the sacrament of the Lord's Supper and the exercise of voting privileges in the congregation. (81 **Minutes**, p. 87)

In addition, Paper '81-2 from the Marion, IA Session was referred to us. This paper proposed the establishment of an "Associate Membership position" for those who want to profess their faith in Christ and join the church but who are not sufficiently committed to the distinctive principles of the denomination to vote dependably. This referral came through the Judicial Committee which stipulated the question: "Is being a communicant member inseparable from the right to vote?" ('81 **Minutes**, p. 122)

CONSIDERATIONS: A. For the record, what was done by the Rochester Session was to hear the profession of faith of the "young children" and to receive them into full membership in the church. The procedures were ordinary and in accord with the "law and order" of

the denomination. The age of the children was younger than ordinary, but the denomination has no regulation regarding the age at which children may be received into full membership, only that they satisfy the local session in their profession and understanding of the faith. There was no transgression of law or order.

B. The question of baptized ("non-communicant") children partaking of the Lord's Supper seeks some discussion. The answer lies in the nature of the sacraments and may best be stated by means of a comparison of the two.

First, baptism is the sign of the covenant of faith and is the successor to circumcision as given to Abraham (cf. Rom. 4:11). It is by nature a passive sacrament; that is, the recipient is passive—he is acted upon. It is therefore not a sign from the recipient to the Lord ("See my faith."), but it is a sign from the Lord to the recipient ("I claim you as My own." The covenant is the Lord's, and the sign of admission is from Him to the believer.

This is most clearly visualized with respect to infant baptism. **As** circumcision stood to testify of God's acknowledgment and seal of Abraham's faith (Rom. 4:11) and was also provided at the same time to his household (including infants at eight days old—Gen. 17:12) who were thus counted by God as part of the covenant, **so** baptism is the sign of covenant membership to the adult who exercises personal faith and is given also to any children he or she may have prior to the exercise of personal faith on the part of such children. The action of the sacrament of baptism portrays the nature of this sacrament—the baptizer performs, in the name of the Lord, the only action. We are saved by grace through faith and that not of ourselves; it is a gift of God, not of works lest any man should boast. In other words, it is of God that we are in Christ Jesus.

Second, the Lord's Supper, in contrast, as a sacrament portrays not only the work of redemption accomplished by Christ (His broken body and blood-sealed covenant), but it also **portrays** the believer's exercise of personal faith and participation in the life of the covenant in his reaching out, taking, and consuming the elements of the sacrament. These are called "sacramental acts." (Dir. for Wor., III, 9, p. 316) Thus, by its very nature this sacrament must be limited (differently from baptism) to those who are exercising personal faith in Christ and His redemptive work.

Thus we feel that the question as to whether (or when) children were permitted to eat the Passover in the Old Testament, in an attempt to make the two sacraments equal in application, is not to the issue. The detail of infant paricipation in circumcision was specifically stated in the Old Testament (Gen. 17:12; 21:4 and Lev. 12:3), but no

such statement can be found regarding the Passover, and arguments to prove or deny or limit admission of children (infants) to the Passover are based on scanty evidence and cannot be very conclusive. The nature of the sacrament and what it portrays must determine the grounds for admission to the sacrament. This is confirmed by the discussion in I Cor. 11:27-29 of the necessity of discernment and remembrance as qualifications for participation.

We conclude then that at whatever age it may readily be determined that a person (child) is exercising personal faith in the redemptive work of Christ and is feeding upon Him he should be welcomed into the full fellowship of the visible church thus be given access to the sacrament which portrays that. This would imply the procedural avenue of "full membership" or "communicant membership."

(Parenthetic note: The meaning of the phrase "communicant memberhip" is a little ambiguous in our Reformed Presbyterian tradition because of the wording of chapter 22—"Of Church Fellowship," in the recently replaced **Dec. and Test.** pp. 189-191. In this chapter the word "communion" was always synonomous with the words "membership" and "fellowship." In this chapter it never referred to the Lord's Supper, even in Errors 6 and 9 which were eliminated by Synod's action to adopt Session Controlled Communion.)

What we have been given by the Rochester Session is the precedental suggestion that age should not preclude membership to a child who is otherwise prepared by the Lord for membership in the church. We need not fear that young children will now scurry unguarded to the Table, but we should learn that all believers, regardless of age, should be given access to the grace of the Supper.

C. The issue of voting in relation to membership may not be so easily answered, for biblical evidence is very limited, and our denominational standards are quite simple—those who are full members may vote without restriction as long as they are in good standing.

If it is determined that there is a problem in the exercise of voting rights by some in a given congregation (either younger members without mature judgment or adult members whose judgment is "impared" by failure to agree with all distinctive principles) the elders of that congregation have opened to them all the biblical avenues for solution—godly admonishment, brotherly love, edification, forebearance, forgiveness, etc., etc. It is the conclusion of the Committee that the fourth term of the Covenant of Church Membership provides all the avenues for solution that are necessary.

If the session observes the maturity in a youngster and concludes that he or she has a personal relationship to Christ, recognizes Him as Lord and Saviour of his or her life, and if the individual makes such a

profession public then the youngster may certainly be expected to have the will of God and the concern of His church at heart. It is also important to remember that this youngster is not entirely on his or her own. There should exist both parental and sessional oversight by instruction and training. This can go a long way in bringing about a thoughtful, concerned, and serious voting member.

Finally, sessions have for years been receiving children into membership who are "minors" as far as civil and military matters are concerned.

D. With respect to the issue of associate membership, your committee believes the main concern of the Marion Session to be the possibility that men who do not subscribe to the creed of the denomination will be elected to office by those who themselves are not yet fully committed to all our beliefs. We believe that the proper response to this concern is to remind the petitioners that, under our present system, the standard of maturity for all officers is the full creed, and all are required to subscribe to it. This means that no matter what the level of maturity of the average voting member might be, the only people who will be ordained will be those who "believe in and accept the system of doctrine and manner of worship" of this denomination. If men do not meet this standard, let us begin steps of biblical correction rather than invent a catagory of church membership about which the Apostles knew nothing. We find no biblical evidence that any members who are not under specific, corrective discipline (II Thes. 3:6 and 14) were ever denied the right to vote in the congregation, nor do we know of any doctrinal arguments that would call for the withholding of that right from some who were Christ's. We find no substantial reason to separate the right to vote from other rights inherent in full membership.

Recommendations:

1. That no changes be made in the law and order of the denomination with respect to any of these matters.
2. That the sessions of the denomination, in their practice of receiving covenant children into full membership, give prior consideration to their faith in the Lord and their manner of life than to how old they are.
3. That the request of Paper '81-2 be denied for the reasons given in this report.
4. That the committee be dismissed.

Signed:

M. L. McFarland
Don Reed
Tom Price
Rich Ganz
Bruce Hemphill, Chrm.

The following special resolution was adopted: That the Committee to Revise the Form of Church Government consider the term "full membership" and the minimum age for voting at congregational meetings.

The Report of the Committee on Uniformity of Reports was taken up, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNIFORMITY OF REPORTS

Our Committee was appointed in response to a request from the Stated Clerk in his report to the Synod of 1981. (**Minutes of Synod,** 1981, page 41) He expressed a concern that nearly 40% of the total decrease in membership for 1980 was attributed to "other" reasons. He reported further that as a result of his request from Congregations for clarification he found that of those removed for "other" reasons, over 40% were due to "purging the roll."

"Purging the roll" is a term not found anywhere in the **Constitution of the R.P. Church**. We understand it to mean something of the procedure outlined in the **Book of Church Government** II:11, for dealing with neglectful or disinterested members. The **Book of Church Government** provides a two-step procedure. First, it is stated that "a member who has for a period of one year and without known reason failed to attend, to contribute, or to give any other evidence of interest, may, after due effort to reclaim him, be removed from the roll of members in good standing . . . " This suggests that there should be a roll of those who are not "in good standing." Our Committee is not aware of any Congregation that maintains such a roll.

The second step provides two options. (1) The delinquent member "shall be reinstated when he has given satisfactory evidence of renewed interest in the church" **or** (2) there shall be "final removal" in the case of "long continued neglect."

The 1972 Synod adopted a recommendation of the Long Range Planning Committee that a column titled "Suspended" be included as a category in the "Decrease in Membership" section of the Annual Statistical Report. Because this column designated a decrease in membership, we believe that it was intended to represent the "final removal from membership" after "long continued neglect." Beginning in 1979 this column has been incorporated into the "Other" column.

There seems to have been some confusion between those "Suspended," i.e. "removed from the roll," and those under the censure of "Suspension," i.e. temporarily excluded from church privileges because "of gross offenses or **persistent neglect**." **Book of Church Discipline** V:4

We see such practices as the use of the term "purging the roll" and our failure to follow the two-step procedure in dealing with neglectful members as contrary to our responsibility for the care and nurture of members. We also believe that the Church should have available to it the number of those Baptized members who make the "profession of faith" each year. (This column was dropped in 1971.)

Your Committee would recommend:

1. That a column headed "Final Removal" be added to the "Membership Decrease" section of the statistical report.
2. That the Column headed "Other" include those joining other denominations without notice (**Book of Church Government** II:11), members transferring to the roll of Presbytery, corrections of past year's errors, and letters of standing when the member does not have intention of immediately uniting with another church.
3. That Sessions follow carefully the procedure for dealing with neglectful and disinterested members as set forth in the **Book of Church Government**, Chapter 2, paragraph 11.
4. That an informational column headed "Bap. Child/Prof. of Faith" be added to the membership section of the statistical report.
5. That the cover letter for the statistical forms include more detailed instructions as to what is to be included under each heading.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert McConaughy
John Mitchell
Robert R. Fullerton, Chm.

The Report of the Committee to Rewrite the Form of Church Government was taken up. Item 1 was adopted. Item 2 was referred to the Nominating Committee. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REWRITE THE FORM OF CHURCH GOVERNMENT

The Synod of 1981 called for the appointment of "a special committee to revise and rewrite the Form of Church Government taking into consideration the conclusions regarding the nature of the eldership already adopted by Synod." (**1981 Minutes**, p. 17)

In our revised Testimony (25:3) we show our commitment to the Presbyterian form of church government (government by elders), to the distinction between the functions of ruling elders and teaching

elders, to the parity of all elders in the government of the church, and to the plurality of elders in church courts. In addition, the Synod of 1979 adopted a statement which expresses in principle the denominational position on the nature of the office of elder until the revision of the Form of Church Government is completed (**1979 Minutes**, pp. 176, 177; **1981 Minutes**, pp. 17, 18). It needs to be pointed out, however, that this "interim position" is subject to change and does not become the "official position" of the church until it has gone down in overture.

This report to the 1982 Synod is a progress report. Our main concern is to determine the procedure our Committee should follow. We are proposing to the Synod that principial parts of the present Form of Church Government be added to appropriate chapters in the Testimony, and that procedural parts be placed in a separate Directory for Church Government.

The purpose of the Directory (and this would be stated in the introduction) is to implement the doctrinal statements concerning the nature of the church, her officers and her form of government as they have been stated in the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Testimony of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

The reason for making the division between principial parts and procedural parts of the Form of Church Government is a practical one. Many of the doctrinal statements are already included in the Confession/Testimony; the others would serve to make that document more complete. Procedural items can be dealt with by the Synod without the effort or delay of being submitted in overture.

Definitions and procedures set down in the Directory are to be received as official statements declaring the law and order of the church. The initial adoption of the Directory shall be by a two-thirds vote of the Synod and an overture of the Sessions of the church. In subsequent years the Directory may be amended by any given Synod by a two-thirds vote; by a simple majority vote Synod may decide to use the procedure of sending proposed amendments down in overture; however, any such amendments must be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Synod before they could be sent down in overture to the Sessions.

We herewith submit two chapters of the Form of Church Government as examples of the procedure recommended above:

CHAPTER I

Paragraph 1—Insert sentence #1 at the beginning of Chapter 25 in the Testimony. Other parts of this paragraph are clearly stated in the Confession/Testimony.

Paragraph 2—All parts of this paragraph are clearly stated in the Confession/Testimony: the portion referring to Christ is covered in chapters 8 and 25; the portion on the Holy Spirit is covered in chapter 2; the portion on the Scriptures is covered in chapter 1.

Paragraph 3—All parts of this paragraph are clearly stated in chapters 23 and 25 of the Confession/Testimony.

Paragraph 4—It would seem that the first clause and the last two clauses should be incorporated into chapter 25 of the Testimony; the other clauses are well covered in chapter 25.

Paragraph 5—All parts of this paragraph are clearly stated in chapter 25 of the Confession/Testimony.

Paragraph 6—This paragraph, with some revision, could be added to the introduction of the Directory for Church Government.

CHAPTER IV

Paragraph 1—All parts of this paragraph are clearly stated in chapter 25 of the Confession/Testimony.

Paragraph 2—The first two sentences are to be proposed as part of the Testimony, chapter 25, section 3. The rest of the paragraph would be retained and developed in the Directory for Church Government.

Paragraph 3—This paragraph would be integrated into the second paragraph of chapter 25, section 3 of the Testimony as follows:

> The permanent officers of the church to be set apart by ordination are elders and deacons. Ordination is a solemn setting apart to a specific office by the laying on of the hands of the members of a court of the church. **The responsibility of the elders** . . . (as in paragraph 2, p. 71) . . . **bishop or overseer**. The diaconate is a spiritual office subordinate to the session. The deacons have responsibility for the ministry of mercy, the finances and property of the congregation, and other such tasks as are properly assigned to them by the session. Other officers mentioned in the New Testament were commissioned with special powers during the Apostolic age for the establishment of the church. (Scriptural citations to be furnished.)

Paragraph 4—The first two sentences would be proposed as a separate paragraph in Chapter 25 of the Testimony following the proposed amended paragraph above. From the third sentence of this paragraph through the rest of the Form of Church Government the materials as revised would basically compose the content of the new Directory of Church Government.

Recommendations:

1. That Synod approve the proposed procedure that principial parts of the present Form of Church Government be added to appropriate chapters in the Testimony, and that procedural parts be placed in a separate Directory for Church Government.
2. That the Nominating Committee fill vacancies on our Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce Stewart, Chm. — Bruce Backensto
Norman Carson — Robert McConaughy
Robert Catloth

The Report of the Committee on Paper 81-1 concerning churches holding property was taken up.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by John White.

MONDAY, JUNE 14, 1982, 8:50 A.M.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment on Monday, June 14, 1982, at 8:50 a.m. in Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Before convening, Professor Dennis Johnson, Moderator of the General Assembly of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church led the concurrent Synods and General Assemblies (Christian Reformed Church; Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod; Orthodox Presbyterian Church; Presbyterian Church in America; and the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America) in devotions preaching God's Word from Ephesians 2:11-22; 4:1-6, 17-24 on the theme of our common heritage in the election of God before the foundations of the earth.

The Court was convened in prayer by John O. Edgar.

The Roll was noted.

The Minutes were read and adopted.

By special resolution the Court went into executive session to hear a report of a matter of discipline taken up by the Iowa Presbytery.

The Court arose from executive session.

The following papers were presented to the Court:

82-5 From the New York Presbytery concerning the re-establishment of the Committee on the Signs of the Times was referred to a Committee to be appointed by the Moderator to report to this meeting of Synod.

82-6 From the Pittsburgh Presbytery concerning the use of the Lord's Day was referred to a special Committee to be appointed by the Nominating Committee.

82-7 From the Pittsburgh Presbytery concerning the definition of the term "Stated Supply" was referred to the Judicial Committee.

The preliminary report of the Committee on Finance was distributed for information.

The Report of the Board of Home Missions was taken up. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 3 was adopted and referred to the Nominating Committee for implementation. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission Board reports that two meetings were held since the last meeting of Synod. The officers of the Board are: president, Bruce Hemphill; vice-president, John McMillan; secretary, Don Piper, and treasurer, Louis Hutmire.

In compliance with guidelines set by Synod, the Board is being reduced in size. This year five of eleven members are retiring and three will be elected at this meeting of Synod. Thus, following this meeting of Synod we will have achieved the recommended level of nine board members.

The H.M.B. continues its role in encouraging and aiding presbyteries in the establishing of new churches. New churches currently receiving aid from the H.M.B. through their presbyteries are: Anchorage, Rochester, Oswego, Ottawa, Colorado Springs, Hays, and Colombus. At the Spring meeting additional aid was granted to Midwest Presbytery for a new work in Manhattan, Kansas. Paul Copeland has been called to begin work there, but at the time of writing this report he has not yet responded to the call.

The work in Rochester, New York experienced some financial set backs and was forced to ask for additional funding through their presbytery. An exception to our policy of granting aid on a decreasing basis was made after considering the circumstances presented by the congregation and presbytery. Kanata, which received aid last year was merged with the work in Ottawa.

The Board has received several requests for aid which were not granted either because they came without the recommendation of the presbytery or because they were not compatible with H.M.B. policy. Churches are reminded that our purpose as a Board is to aid in

evangelism and church extension and that requests for aid are to come with written recommendation from presbyteries.

All the presbytery representatives reported encouragingly of evangelism taking place in congregations of the presbyteries. Churches are being planted in nearly every presbytery. Pittsburgh Presbytery even sponsored its own Festival of Evangelism this year.

In striving to be a better source of help to presbyteries in starting congregations, the H.M.B. asked three men who have been used by God in evangelism and church planting to meet together and share ideas. On December 8, Ken Smith, Roy Blackwood, and Ed Robson met together with Bruce Hemphill and John McMillan from the Board. Papers on church extension were presented. The Board hopes to publish the papers and distribute them to the professor of Practical Theology at the Seminary, to each presbytery extension committee and to each session. The men who met together were not favorable to the idea of being sent by the Board to congregations desiring expertise in evangelism. However, congregations desiring specific help either should contact men who they think might be able to help them directly, or contact the Home Mission Board.

Another way the Board is seeking to aid presbyteries is by way of a questionaire on church growth prepared by the New Works Resource Committee. The questionaire will be sent to each congregation to try to pinpoint needs and answers to those needs. The results will be compiled and sent to the presbyteries.

In order to better acquaint the people in the congregations of the work of the H.M.B., a bulletin insert is being prepared by the publicity committee and copies will be sent to each congregation.

At its Fall meeting the Board, now reduced to seven presbytery representatives and two members at large plans to discuss the role of the representative in his presbytery. It is hoped that his role will become better defined and thus, he will be used more effectively.

In response to the 1979 Synod's directive to provide a vehicle for denominational diaconal work, the H.M.B., after some deliberation, determined that it would be more effective to have a permanent committee of Synod appointed which would have the initiation of deaconal coordination as its sole task. Because as yet there is no denominational diaconate, and considering the size of Iowa Presbytery, the Board authorized the executive committee to spend up to $4000.00 for the Ron Nickerson family should the presbytery request aid.

The president of the Board continues to represent the church at NAPARC Home Mission Agency meetings.

The Board continues to solicit articles for the Witness from new congregations so that the church as a whole may pray more effectively for them. It is our hope and prayer that the Lord will continue to prosper the R.P.N.A. and that the Board will be used by God to aid in enlarging His church. We exist to serve Him.

Recommendations:

1. That at this meeting of Synod, representatives from St. Lawrence Presbytery, Walter Swartz; Iowa Presbytery, John McMillan; and one member at large be elected. The Board recommends the nominations of Mrs. Janet Pinkerton and Mrs. Libby Maine for the at large position. Those whose terms expire at this meeting of Synod are Max Mann, Robert McCracken, Mrs. Kenneth Sanderson, John McMillan, Iowa; Walter Swartz, St. Lawrence.
2. That the H.M.B. be granted $16,089 for its work during 1983. (Note that presbyteries are contributing more and more to the works which they oversee.)
3. That Synod appoint a permanent committee to initiate deaconal coordination for the ministry of mercy that reaches beyond congregations and presbyteries. Examples are: Large needs within presbyteries, national and international oportunities.

Respectfully submitted,
Don Piper

Flowers from the Covenant Fellowship Congregation of Pittsburgh were presented to the Moderator in honor of his election to this office.

The Report of the Baord of Foreign Missions was taken up. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was adopted. Item 3 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 4 was adopted. The Court spent fifteen minutes in fulfillment of item 4. In the discussion it was reported that the Japanese leaders are working toward the organization of a Japan Presbytery. One matter that is in process is the translation of the TESTIMONY into Japanese. It was also noted that the remuneration of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hemphill is for their transportation, Oversees Cost of Living Adjustment, and housing costs as they go to serve in Japan. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

"The people who walk in darkness will see a great light . . ." Isaiah 9:2

We express our thanks to God for His presence, guidance, protection and provision during the past year. In a time of economic adjust-

ments we have been able to continue our program including the sending of a new missionary to Japan.

The Board appreciates the response to the paper which we presented to Synod last year regarding expansion of foreign mission work. Included in this was the involvement of sessions and presbyteries in overseas work. We are thankful for correspondence and other contacts with sessions which we believe has been mutually helpful to individuals, sessions and the Board. In one or two situations progress and planning was too far along for much input but we appreciated the relationships which were established. We continue to keep in touch with those who are considering overseas service.

With many considerations before the Board which called for difficult decisions, we planned for a day of prayer and planning to precede our October board meeting. We met at the Seminary and were asked to include a seminar at chapel time regarding an overview of missions. As a result of this meeting plans were made for a joint effort with the Seminary in planning a Missions Emphasis Day which was held at Geneva College on February 8. We are grateful for the cooperation which the college gave us and for the response of the students to our emphasis on training for service.

We have had to adjust our program of deputation work, since we are not always able to have missionaries home to speak. We are grateful for the response to our slide-tape presentations which have been used widely. We are aware that they are not as helpful as having missionary speakers but they help us to keep you alert to our mission work. Current programs available include those which have been used: Japan, Thailand, and Papua New Guinea; and new ones on Australia, Japan and a brief one on Training with a Vision which was used at Geneva College. You can contact James Pennington for these and for information regarding deputation work. We will keep you aware of missionaries who may be available in the future.

Consultation has been carried on with the Seminary in regard to an increased emphasis on the application of the Great Commission in the ministry of the Church today. This exchange has been helpful.

Clark Copeland represented us at the Urbana Convention in December in connection with his being there for the Seminary. This visibility is helpful and keeps us aware of what is taking place in world missions today, what other boards are doing, the services made available to boards and missionaries, and the response of people to the call of God and world opportunities.

We have continued to meet with members and executives from the other NAPARC boards. A meeting was held in November for general discussion and another was held briefly during the NAE Conven-

tion in March. The last one was on ministry to the Chinese. We are to meet again during the meeting of Synod to continue discussions on China.

Correspondence has been carried on with the Free Church of Scotland. One conference phone call was held with their secretary and a member of their board when they were in Canada.

We have initiated correspondence with "Christian Witness to Israel." From our information there seems to be a strong emphasis on reformed theology in their work. We will keep you informed on this work.

In our continuing relationship with the Irish and Scottish synods, details have been worked out for the support of the proposed extension work in Carluke, Scotland under the oversight of a commission and the Wishaw session. We have agreed to help for a two year period. The Irish-Scottish Foreign Mission Board has done the same. They are still reviewing plans for work in France. Malcolm Ball has been chosen as their new secretary.

We have reviewed the program which Geneva College had last year and has planned for this year. Students spend three weeks in Haiti and help with the construction of a school building. We have been considering whether we ought to consider Haiti as a new field.

We have placed before you the opportunities for service which we believe we can sponsor. The World Presbyterian Mission has asked us to help recruit nurses. We need a replacement for Carolyn Clarke as a teacher in Japan. We will keep you alert to other needs which may arise.

We are thankful for the reports of progress in the work in Australia. While the Robert McCrackens had to move, they were able to locate a house in the same area in Sunbury. This was an answer to our prayers. Robert McCracken has been placed on the Frankston session which is to oversee the work of Andrew McConaghy who is serving as stated supply.

We thank God for the continuing opportunity to recruit personnel for Cyprus. We are looking on this work as a "tentmaking" ministry. Becky Carson replaced Gayle Copeland and flew to Cyprus with the Dan Copelands on August 26. The Charles Drake family was recruited in mid-August and the Lord enabled us to arrange details so that Charles and Samuel were able to leave on September 7. Jody and Rachel left on September 30. We ask for your prayers for them as they work in a difficult situation and where there is a need for a stronger church which can minister to their needs and to the community.

The Alpha and Omega Foundation asked for a loan of 60,000. Cyprus pounds for use in adding a second floor to their building in Nicosia. This enabled us to use the money which cannot be taken from Cyprus in a way that will be of service to the school. We have hopes of gaining permission to withdraw more money from Cyprus.

As planned and reported last year, Oreta Everett completed her service to the Board on July 31. She is now settled in Seattle among some Japanese families. Carolyn Clarke is to complete her work at the end of June and will be returning from Japan. We are thankful for the way she has fitted in to the mission structure in not only teaching the Sterrett children but in doing the work of the Mission Treasurer and cooperating in the work of the mission.

Charles Leach accepted the call of the Board for service in Japan and began preparation for going to Japan on April 1 spending half time. In June he began full time preparation by beginning language study at Cornell on June 9. He completed this course on August 11. He attended a three week course at Missionary Internship in September. A week was spent at the seminary for instruction and acclimating himself to the board and mission structures. A sending service was held on October 6 and he began his trip to Japan on October 8. He stopped enroute at Anchorage and arrived in Japan on October 13.

In March the Book Store celebrated its 30 years of service in Kobe. We are grateful for the leadership which Orlena Lynn has given to this work during most of this time.

The Commission continues to supervise the work in Japan. We need to remember the three pastors as they minister to their congregations. We rejoice in the marrige of Nobuo Miwa to Fumiko Takahasi on November 3. We pray that the Lord will bless them in their ministry in the Kasumigaoka congregation. We continue to hear of progress in Mukonoso under the leadership of Gene Spear. In Kita-Suzurandai we have reports of increased attendance at the worship services. Pray that the Lord will prosper His work in all of these locations during the coming year.

We commend to you for prayer and remembrance Charles Chao and his wife who have been serving so faithfully in the work of the Reformation Translation Fellowship. They observed their 50th wedding anniversary on March 5 and the family is planning on being together in Los Angeles in August for a celebration. We pray the Lord's blessing on them as they continue in their ministry of translation and distribution of Chinese literature.

In order that we might continue to receive the input of Synod in our overseas work, we are asking for up to 15 minutes in order that we might discuss sessional oversight of possible missionary candi-

dates. There is a need for training and oversight even of those who consider "tentmaking" ministries. The view of the church is important to any type of service overseas. We believe that any member of our congregations who is looking forward to service overseas should be given careful nurture and guidance in their preparation.

We thank you for your prayers and cooperation during the past year and hope that we can move forward in our ministry to those in need of the gospel of Christ overseas.

Recommendations:

1. That, since the terms of Robert Catloth, Godfrey Franklin, J. Paul McCracken and Kenneth Sanderson expire at this meeting of Synod, three members should be elected.
2. That the Japan Commission be made up of all teaching elders and one ruling elder from each congregation.
3. That this Board be granted $106,390. from Synod's Budget.
4. That up to 15 minutes be granted for discussion of sessional oversight of possible missionary candidates.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert A. Henning
Executive Secretary

The following special resolution was adopted: That the Committee on Travel Funds and Absences is to propose to the Synod a plan to bring national pastors from Japan to the meeting of Synod on a rotating basis.

Pastor Vincent Crossett was introduced as Fraternal Delegate from the Orthodox Presbyterian Church.

Evangelist Donald Dunkerly from the Presbyterian Evangelical Fellowship and an elder in the Presbyterian Church in America was introduced.

Following the singing of Psalm 145 the Court was adjourned in prayer by Jay Wissner.

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Following the singing of Psalm 100 the Court was reconvened in prayer by Robert McMillan.

The Roll was noted.

The Minutes were amended and adopted.

The following special resolution was adopted: That because two approved by the 1981 Synod for some reason or another were not appointed they be referred to the Nominating Committee for

appointment. The Committees are (1) the Committee on the Singing of Uninspired Hymns (1981 Minutes, page 111, lines 20-22) and the Committee to Review the Charter of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College Regarding the Election of Members (1981 Minutes, page 151, lines 5-8).

Paper 82-8 from two persons of the Court concerning the organization of Covenant Fellowship of Indianapolis was referred to the Judicial Committee.

The Reports of the Iowa, Midwest, New York, Ohio-Illinois, Pacific Coast, Pittsburgh, St. Lawrence Presbyteries and the Japan Commission were read, received and are as follows:

REPORT OF THE IOWA PRESBYTERY

The Iowa Presbytery would respectfully report that one regular meeting has been held since last Synod—on April 3, 1982, at Sharon, Iowa. A visitation of the Marion congregation has been conducted during the year.

The annual family conference will be held at Lake Darling Camp near Brighton, Iowa, from August 16 to 21, 1982, with Pastor Jerry O'Neill as the principal speaker. For the first time in some years dates have been secured which avoid conflicts with county fairs. We welcome and appreciate campers who come from other presbyteries.

Three congregations are under our care, two of which have settled pastors. On April 3, 1982, Ronald W. Nickerson was suspended as a minister of the Gospel and from the privileges of membership, and the relationship between him and the Washington congregation was dissolved. There is strong desire and much prayer in seeking Mr. Nickerson's restoration.

Orville Shoop is travel agent for this meeting of Synod. Our representative on Geneva College's Board of Corporators is Lauren Wolcott, and John McMillan is our representative on the Board of Home Missions. Randall VanOsdol is chairman of our Committee on Evangelism and Church Extension.

All of our members are accounted for and the Travel Fund is paid in full.

John McMillan, Clerk

REPORT OF MIDWEST PRESBYTERY

Midwest Presbytery world respectfully report that it has met twice since the last meeting of Synod. The annual meeting was held November 10-11, 1981 in Denison, Kansas. The second meeting was held during this meeting of Synod.

There are sixteen organized congregations. Two congregations, Clarinda and Park City, are without pastors. There were three installations: Thomas A. Price, Jr. in Sterling, August 21, 1981; Robert L. LaMay in Topeka, September 23, 1981; Ralph E. Joseph in Superior-Beulah, November 4, 1981. David R. Patterson was released from Clarinda November 11, 1981. C. Ted Grayson was removed by death on March 11, 1982. There are not thirteen ordained teaching elders without pastorates on the roll of Presbytery. Of that group four have also placed their memberships in local congregations.

There is one student under care of Presbytery. Charles McCalla is completing his requirements for licensure.

The Presbytery will be sponsoring the Covenant Heights Family Conference again this year, July 24-31, 1982. The conference will consider God's purposes and plans for the family in the 1980's. Ken and Floy Smith of Covenant Fellowship, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania will be the featured speakers.

The Presbytery will conduct a seminar for pastors on July 5-9, 1982. E. Clark Copeland will be the featured speaker dealing with hermeneutical principles and covenant theology. In addition there will be a video series by Os Guiness and time for fellowship, sharing and recreation. Pastors from sister churches in the area have also been invited.

The Manhattan Commission has been overseeing Bible studies on a weekly basis in Manhattan, Kansas. One call for a missionary pastor has been issued, and subsequently declined. The Commission is presently considering issuing another call. Presbytery's share of the funding necessary to begin the work has been raised.

The Presbytery gives thanks to God for the evidence of growth that has been seen this past year. The membership of the Presbytery showed an increase of 31 members over the previous year.

In addition to the officers listed in the roster, our representative to the Geneva College Board of Corporators is Wilbur A. McElroy; our representative to the Board of Home Missions is Bruce C. Hemphill; our Travel Agent for this meeting of Synod is Curtis Porter.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Edward Hindman, Clerk

REPORT OF NEW YORK PRESBYTERY

The New York Presbytery would respectfully report that we have held one regular meeting since the last meeting of Synod, at White Lake, April 8, 1982. Each congregation was represented at the meeting by pastor and elder-delegate. There are six congregations in the Presbytery: Broomall: William Edgar, pastor, Joseph Paul, associate pastor; Cambridge: William Cornell, pastor; Coldenham-Newburgh: Robert McMillan, pastor; Elkins Park: Stephen Conte, pastor; Ridgefield Park: George Price, pastor; and White Lake: David Coon, pastor.

One church extension project at the present is the reviving of the White Lake congregation. It became disorganized in 1966, was reorganized October 4, 1980. In 1981 White Lake increased in membership from 25 to 44. They are continuing to grow this year as well.

Our Moderator, William Edgar, has been active in the Center for Urban Theological Studies, in Philadelphia, teaching there during the spring quarter of this year.

Our summer conference serves both New York and St. Lawrence Presbyteries. It was held at White Lake Camp August 21-29 with Dr. Richard Ganz as principal speaker. This summer, the conference will be held August 20-27 with Dr. Donald Drew, from the University of Sussex, as guest speaker. The White Lake Camp grounds are also utilized this summer by youth groups from Syracuse, White Lake, Westchester County P.C.A., Coldenham-Newburgh, and Walton.

Harold Harrington is on our roll as a minsiter without charge. He is living in New Albany, Pa., and has been a supply minister for a nearby Baptist congregation. His time is at the disposal of Synod. Two men are under our care as students of theology: John Brent and Roland Gunn. Our representatives are as follows: Board of Home Missions: Joseph Paul; Board of Corporators: Donald Crawford; Travel Fund: Stephen Conte. Our Travel Fund is paid in full, and all our members are accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert McMillan, Clerk

REPORT OF THE OHIO-ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY

The Ohio-Illinois Presbytery respectfully reports that we have fourteen congregations and one Mission Station under our care. On September 30, 1981 the Ad-Interim Commission authorized a Preaching Station in Indianapolis and on May 21, 1982 Covenant Fellowship of Indianapolis was organized as a congregation. On June 12, 1982 the Chicago congregation was declared to be a Mission Station. Eleven of the congregations have settled pastors. Selma and Heatherton are without pastors. Covenant Fellowship of Indianapolis has a stated supply.

Since the last meeting of Synod we have had one regular meeting and three special meetings. The regular meeting was held at Southside Indianapolis, March 25-27, 1982. The special meetings were at Lookout Mountain, Tennessee on August 10, 1981, to license Mr. Paul Finley, at Second Indianapolis, on September 24-25, 1981, for the purpose of hearing student licensure examinations and ordaining and installing Mr. Jerry O'Neill as pastor in Columbus and at the present Synod.

Concerning Chicago, the Presbytery has assigned to the Church Extension Commission the oversight of the ministry there. This includes responsibility for the transition to Mission Station status as well as the development of future ministry in the Chicago area. The Chicago congregation and the Presbytery have voted to ask Synod's Trustees to make all the congregation's assets immediately available for the development of ministry in the Chicago area. Also, Presbytery has empowered the W. Lafayette Session to administer the Sacraments to the members of the Chicago Mission Station.

On September 24, 1981 Rev. Eric McQuitty completed his examination and was received into our denomination from the Presbyterian Church in America. Rev. McQuitty is available for preaching and a call.

Two pastoral relationships were dissolved this year; Rev. Isaac VerHage and Hetherton, and Rev. Godfrey Franklin and Selma. Rev. David Peachy has announced his intention to resign as associate pastor of the West Lafayette congregation and will present his resignation to the Presbytery shortly. He is available for preaching and a call. Rev. VerHage has become pastor at Fresno. Rev. Franklin is pursuing graduate studies at the University of Alabama and is available for preaching and a call.

There are seven ministers without charges. One is available for a call, one is in graduate school, two are serving as ruling elders, one is a stated supply, one is in business and one is retired.

On August 10, 1981 Mr. Paul Finley was licensed to preach the gospel. He has since become pastor at Walton, New York. On March 26, 1982 two men were licensed to preach the gospel, Mr. William Blackwood, who is completing his seminary courses, and Mr. Robert Schmidtberger, who graduated in May 1982 from the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary and is available for a call. On June 12, 1982 Mr. Frank Schutz was licensed to preach the gospel. He will begin his third year at seminary this fall. Other licentiates are Mr. William Roberts, who is available for preaching and a call, and Mr. Robert Henninger, who is serving the Irish Church in Galway, Republic of Ireland.

Three men are under care of Presbytery. Mr. James McMahon is interning presently and will complete his seminary course in May 1983. Mr. David Long will begin his second year at the seminary this fall. Mr. Harry Metzger, who was taken under care at this Synod meeting of Presbytery, will begin studying at our seminary this fall.

Church property has been acquired by Southside Indianapolis. They hope to move in before the end of the summer, after remodeling has been completed. The Ogemaw congregation has acquired land, has architectural drawings and is beginning to accumulate funds for a new church building. Presbytery has approved a loan request to Synod's Trustees for the Ogemaw building, which we urge the Trustees to act upon at their earliest opportunity.

The Covfamikoi Family Conference registered its largest attendance last year. The program this summer will be workshop oriented utilizing the gifts of our men and women in the Presbytery.

All of our members are accounted for, our travel fund is paid in full and our travel agent for this meeting of Synod is Charles Sterrett.

Respectfully submitted,
Keith R. Magill, Clerk

REPORT OF THE PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY

The Pacific Coast Presbytery held its annual meeting in Los Angeles on February 26 and 27, 1982. A meeting of Presbytery was held in Grand Rapids prior to the meeting of Synod for the purpose of examining William Pihl for licensure. Another meeting was held during the sessions of Synod.

There are seven congregations under the care of Presbytery, and each has pastoral leadership. Isaac VerHage was installed as the pastor of the Fresno congregation on February 19. Prior to and following his coming, much work was done on the church building and parsonage. The Presbytery rejoices with the Fresno congregation in the arrival of Mr. VerHage.

The Santa Ana congregation was visited during the year as part of Presbytery's on-going periodic visitation program. That congregation is undergoing some changes, having sold their church building and presently meeting in very suitable rented quarters, and in seeking the Lord's will in further outreach programs. The San Diego congregation is scheduled for visitation during this coming year.

The annual Presbytery-wide conference was held at the Oak Glen Christian Conference Center in California in August. Dr. Robert Tweed was the speaker at the conference on the theme "Role Distinctions," which was challenging to all. Sets of tapes of these lectures are available. Because of several negative factors, it was necessary to cancel the plans for a presbytery-wide conference in the summer of 1982. In its place, at least one short regional conference will be held near Fresno, and under the direction of the Fresno session.

Rev. Philip Martin, although retired, continued pastoral work in the Fresno congregation until nearly the time of the arrival of Mr. VerHage. Mr. Martin has now moved to Phoenix, and is involving himself in the work of that congregation. The Presbytery records its gratitude to Mr. Martin for his willingness to continue service in Fresno.

The Presbytery has had two persons under care of students of theology. William Pihl has completed his seminary work and was examined and licensed by the Pacific Coast Presbytery on June 11, 1982. The Presbytery, in the process of licensure, counselled Mr. Pihl with respect to his future. The second person under our care is Richard Basala, a member of the Seattle congregation. Mr. Basala expects to begin his seminary training in the fall of 1982.

Presbytery's representatives are as follows: Board of Home Missions: Donald Piper; Board of Corporators of Geneva College: Surrendra Gangadean; on the committee to consult with the Seminary concerning procedures for the licensure of students of theology: Paul M. Martin.

Respectfully submitted,
James D. Carson, Clerk

REPORT OF THE PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

The Pittsburgh Presbytery would respectfully report that we have 13 congregations and 2 mission stations under our care. Ten of these have settled pastors and one other has a licentiate serving as a full time acting pastor. The State College Mission work has a full time pastor and the Mars Mission Station is under the direction of a Commission and has preaching as needed. The new work in Washington, D.C. was suspended, but plans are now underway to resume this work.

We have 23 Teaching Elders on our roll in addition to our 11 Pastors. Eight of these are retired; 7 are associated with Geneva College; 4 are serving in the R.P. Seminary; 1 is the mission Pastor at State College; 1 is Administrative Secretary of the National Reform Association; 1 is serving on the mission field, and 1 is engaged in other work. Eight of our Teaching Elders without pastoral charge are serving on local Sessions as Ruling Elders. We were saddened by the sudden passing of S. Ray Blair last December 18. Thomas Price was released from the Tusca Area Congregation to accept the Pastorate of the Sterling Congregation on June 20, 1981. Gordon Keddie was granted a letter of standing on August 31, 1981. Robert Fullerton was released from the pastorate of the Manchester Congregation on September 30, 1981 and was installed as the Pastor of the First Beaver Falls Congregation on October 9, 1981.

We have three students of Theology under our care. Timothy Russell has completed his second year in the Seminary. Mark Charlton and Jonathan Leach have both completed their first year in the Seminary. There are 4 Licentiates under our care. Kenneth Hoffman is serving the Tusca Congregation. Byron Curtis is serving with the Coalition of Christian Outreach on the Campus of LaRoche College under the supervision of the North Hills Session. Clifford Glovier and Daniel Kepple are available for a Call and we commend them to vacant Congregations for consideration. The licensure of Jack Delivuk has expired.

Since the last meeting of the Synod we have had 2 regular and 3 special meetings of the Presbytery. One of the special meetings was for the hearing of seminary students in preparation for licensure. The other two were for the purpose of examining Jonathan Watt and for his ordination and installation as the pastor of the Manchester Congregation.

The Committee on Evangelism and Church Extension continues to oversee the State College ministry. There are now 18 communicant, and 6 baptized members on the roll of the Presbytery committed to the State College work. This list includes the first local residents to make commitment to this ministry.

As a result of the response to the Young People's Conference last year the Presbytery gave some time to the consideration of the general topic of youth work at the regular fall meeting. The Presbytery then appointed a special committee to oversee this special work. David Willson as the Young People's Secretary headed this committee. Plans have been made for the conference this summer, and initial reservations suggest that this will be a larger conference than we have known for a number of years.

We now have 40 on our roll other than ministerial members. In addition to those from State College we have 15 from the disorganized Wilkinsburg Congregation and one from the Rehobeth Congregation which was disorganized some time ago.

Our Statistical report has been forwarded to the Stated Clerk, and our Travel Fund is paid in full, and all of our members are accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert R. Fullerton, Clerk

REPORT OF ST. LAWRENCE PRESBYTERY

The St. Lawrence Presbytery would respectfully report that since the last meeting of Synod we held two regular meetings of the Presbytery, October 6 and 7, 1981 in Walton, New York and March 30, 1982 in Syracuse, New York. We also held a special meeting on April 28, 1982 in Walton for the ordination and installation of Paul Finley as pastor of the Walton congregation.

We have eight congregations. The mission work in Kanata, Ontario has been merged with the Ottawa congregation. Almonte, Lisbon, Oswego, Ottawa, Syracuse, and Walton all have settled pastors. Lochiel's pulpit is still vacant. Rev. Robert Rice has submitted his resignation as pastor of Rochester Fellowship.

At the last Synod there were five men under the care of St. Lawrence Presbytery. Paul Fields, at his request, was removed from the care of the presbytery to pursue a career as a Christian bookstore manager. Robert Miller has completed most of his work toward licensure and has moved to Philadelphia. David Lane, who was taken under care at last Synod is completing his first year at Westminster Seminary and has begun his work toward licensure. Licentiates Carter Rowe and Jonathan Watt have each received calls. Carter was called as associate pastor in the Syracuse congregation and, Lord willing, will be ordained and installed there this Fall. Jonathan was ordained and installed as pastor of the Manchester congregation two weeks ago. Besides these men, Douglas Chamberlain of the Syracuse congregation was taken under care last September and, Lord willing, will begin seminary training at the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary in Pittsburgh this Fall.

A new experience in the life of the Presbytery is the opportunity that has arisen of beginning a seminary for the training of pastors in Canada. The Ottawa Theological Hall, Lord willing, will begin classes this fall. The Presbytery respectfully requests the Synod hear Dr. Richard Ganz on behalf of the Ottawa Theological Hall.

The St. Lawrence Family Camp was sponsored by the Presbytery in Lisbon, New York. The White Lake Family Camp was cosponsored with the New York Presbytery.

All of our members are accounted for. The officers of the Presbytery are listed in our roster. The statistical report was forwarded to the clerk of Synod. In addition to the officers listed in the roster, Paul Finley, is our representative on the college Board of Corporators, and Walter Swartz is our representative on the Home Mission Board.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert G. Rice, clerk

REPORT OF THE JAPAN COMMISSION

The Japan Commission would respectfully report that since the last meeting of Synod, the Commission has consisted of six ministers: Leach, Masunaga, Miwa, Spear, Sterrett and Takiura; and three elders: Kojima, Nitta and Shinoda.

We have three congregations under our care in addition to two Mission Stations.

In July of 1981, the Commission employed Mr. Ozaki, a student at the Reformed Seminary in Kobe. He preached and assisted with V.B.S. and other activities during summer.

The young people's summer conference was held at Mt. Rokko on August 6-8 with Rev. Toyoji Ariga as the main speaker.

The Fall All-Church Conference was held at the Reformed Seminary on September 24. The theme was "What is the Reformed Faith?" The speaker was Mr. Ryuzo Hashimoto, the principal of the Seminary.

Mr. Charles Leach arrived on October 13 at Osaka. He was enrolled as a member of the Commission. We express our gratitude to our gracious God for sending him to Japan and supporting him as he serves in the Church in Japan.

In December of 1981, the annual Christmas Psalm Singing was held at Higashi Suma Church, featuring the presentation of "The Life of Christ in the Psalms."

Most of the Testimony was translated into Japanese and handed down to each church for its study.

The Psalm Committee has made progress in compiling new psalms for singing in Japanese. Six new psalms have been approved. Please pray for the members of the committee for completing a very difficult task.

The officers of the Commission are: Moderator, Toshio Masunaga; Clerk, Nobuo Miwa, Assistant Clerk, William J. Sterrett; Treasurer, Yoshio Nitta.

The minutes of the sessions were examined and found to be in order.

The statistical report has been forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,
Nobuo Miwa, Clerk

The Court was led in prayer of thanksgiving and petition for God's leading of men waiting on the Lord of leadership to places of service in the church.

The Report of the Committee to Canvass the Overture was read and adopted. The matter was declared to be the law and order of the Church. The Report is as follows: The Committee to Canvass the Vote on the Overture Sent Down to Sessions regarding Form 17, Book of Church Government (1981 Minutes, pages 121 and 123), reports the following: Sessions voting 56, 46 yea, 10 nay; Elders voting 279, 200 yea, 71 nay (2 abstaining). We report that this overture has passed by at least a two-thirds majority.

Signed,
Joe Copeland
David Peachy
David Coon, Chairman

The Report of the Committee on Visible Church as it Relates To The Sacraments was taken up. Item 1 was adopted. Item 2 was referred to the Nominating Committee. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows: Your Committee reports that due to the death of one of the members, the resignation of two others as well as the increased load of work and illness of another member we have been unable to complete our assignment.

Recommendations:

1. **That the present committee be continued to report to the 1983 Synod.**
2. **That two additional members be added to our Committee.**

Respectfully submitted,
Duncan Lowe
Robert McConaughy
Ronald Good, Chairman

The Report of the National Reform Association was taken up, received and appears in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The Report of the Committee on Financial Policies in Receiving Ministers from Other Denominations was taken up. Items 1-4 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO FORMULATE FINANCIAL POLICY IN RECEIVING MINISTERS FROM OTHER DENOMINATIONS

The Synod of 1981 gave this committee the task of drawing up guidelines to help define the degree of financial responsibility which we as a Church would be willing to assume in the situation of a minister from another denomination who comes into the RP Church seeking a pastorate. In case he does not receive a call immediately should there be some kind of program administered at the Synod-level to offer financial aid. (There is already a program whereby an RP minister who leaves an RP pastorate without having an immediate call elsewhere can be helped through the Home Missions Board for up to three months' salary.)

This committee, having met once during the year, is of the opinion that such financial aid would be much more appropriately handled at the Presbytery-level. It is, after all, the Presbyteries that examine and receive such men, and they should best know the need and advisability of offering such assistance.

At the same time we also consider it proper that a Presbytery could appeal to Synod for aid if it were experiencing particular hardship. In case of such an appeal to Synod we would suggest that the Synod contribution 1) be not more than one-third of what the Presbytery has expended in this kind of assistance and 2) in any case not exceed the amount of one month's salary toward the support of any one individual.

Recommendations:

1. That Synod leave the primary responsibility with the Presbyteries for determining the need for financial assistance, and responding to that need, in the case of ministers who come into the RP Church seeking a pastorate.
2. That Synod express its willingness to share this kind of burden when a Presbytery, because of its financial hardship, appeals to Synod for help.
3. That Synod set the following limits to its financial involvement in this kind of assistance:

a. Synod's contribution to a Presbytery toward the support of any individual minister is not to exceed an amount equivalent to one month's ministerial salary.
b. Synod's total contribution toward a Presbytery for such purposes is not to exceed one-third of the amount authorized by the Presbytery.

4. That the Board of Home Missions be given the responsibility in behalf of Synod for receiving, reviewing and acting upon such requests from the Presbyteries.

Respectfully submitted,
Stewart Lee
Melville Martin
William Weir
Duncan Lowe, Chmn.

The Report of the Representative to the Convention of the National Association of Evangelicals was taken up, received and is found in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The Report of the Temperence Committee was taken up. Item 1 was granted. Item 2 was referred to the Nominating Committee. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF SYNOD'S TEMPERENCE COMMITTEE—1982

Dear Brethren in Christ,

First of all, we are sorry that our committee didn't become "operational" sooner. We miss the expertise, ability, and commitment of our former chairman. This in no way is an indication of our minimizing our responsibilities in the area of being committed in what we can do to help minimize the effect of the social evils of our day.

The following are areas in which we have functioned:

a. Glenn McFarland assembled and Lester Kilpatrick supervised the mailing of temperence material to our congregations dated 1/22/82;
b. Lester Kilpatrick wrote an article entitled, **Total Abstinence from the Use of Liquor, for Christians—"Altogether Wise and Proper"** (an interpretation of Acts 15). This was sent to the editor of the **Covenanter Witness** on 2/15/82 for publication;
c. Howard Elliott asked that Kermit Edgar represent our committee at the meeting of the National Temperence and Prohibition Council which met in Maryland in March.

The following are areas in which we see we can be of service in the future:

a. Continuation of periodical mailings of temperence material to our congregations;
b. Providing a manual on "Telling Our Children the Truth About Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drugs" to be used as an elective **adult** course in Sabbath School. (This was suggested to us by a member of the court at the 1981 Synod.)
c. Securing permission to reprint an article entitled "Wine and Strong Drink," by R. Laird Harris (in a previous Nat'l. Bible Institute pub.);
d. Mobilizing a number of people (ministers, medical personnel, teachers, social workers, etc.) within our denomination who can channel important information to us for general distribution.

Recommendations:

1. That permission be given any of the committee members present at the 1982 Synod to present any financial bills incurred in committee work for payment.
2. The term of Howard Elliott has been completed and his successor should be elected by this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

Howard Elliott
Lester Kilpatrick
Glenn McFarland
Tom Joseph

The Report of the Committee Regarding Vow Number 8 was taken up, adopted and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON ORDINATION VOW NO. 8

Your committee met 2 times this past year. Neither time were we able to have all of the members present. Though a tentative report was prepared it was decided not to present it because a minority were not in favor of it and adequate discussion by all did not take place. A part of the difficulty in providing such discussion is that only 2 members live less than a 100 miles apart and the others live 400, 1000 and 1500 miles apart. It is hoped that another year will give us time to correspond adequately with one another to at least have a majority report ready for the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn E. McFarland
Surrendra Gangadean
Donald Weilersbacher
Lee Barclay
Ron Posvar (appointed to replace Bennett Broadway)

The report of the Committee on Time and Place for the 1983 meeting of Synod was taken up and referred back to the Committee.

Following the singing of Psalm 48 the Court was adjourned in prayer by Joe McFarland.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 1982, 8 A.M.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment on Tuesday, June 15, 1982, at 8:45 a.m. at Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Before the convening of the Court the concurrent Synods and General Assemblies were led in devotions by John Kromminga, President of Calvin Theological Seminary, on the subject of pain and suffering based on several readings from the Book of Isaiah. Following the singing of Psalm 5 the Court was convened in prayer by James Carson.

The Roll was noted. The Minutes were read and adopted. Synod's offering of $403 was received.

The following representatives were introduced to the Court: Rev. Arthur Brodwick, Fraternal delegate from the Presbyterian Church in America; Jacob Fisher, Fraternal Delegate from the Reformed Church in the United States; Professor Herman Hanko, observer from the Protestant Reformed Church; Rev. Cornelius Pronk, observer from the Free Reformed Church; Peter DeYoung, editor of the OUTLOOK.

The following papers were introduced to the Court:

82- 9 From two members of the Court concerning the baptism of Covenant Children was referred to a special study committee to be appointed by the Nominating Committee.

82-10 From two members of the Court concerning the definition of the use of Commissions was referred to the Committee to Rewrite the Book of Church Government.

82-11 From four members of the Court concerning the Ottawa Theological Hall was laid on the table until after the hearing of Dr. Ganz.

82-12 From three members of the Court concerning a contribution to the Center for Urban Theological Studies was adopted and referred to the Committee on Finance.

82-13 From two members of the Court concerning the validity of Catholic Baptism was referred to the Judicial Committee to decide if we need to study the matter.

82-14 From several members of the Court concerning the meeting of Synod in connection with the Carleton Family Conference was referred to the clerk to bring in a proposal to the 1983 Synod planning a skeleton Synod for 1984.

82-15 From two members of the Court—a complaint concerning the approval of a petition to form a new congregation in Indianapolis was referred to the Judicial Committee.

82-16 A complaint from a member of the Court concerning the organization of a new congregation in Indianapolis was referred to the Judicial Committee.

Richard Ganz and Kenneth McBurney addressed the Court on behalf of the Ottawa Theological Hall. Because the Moderator is somewhat involved in the matter under discussion he relinquished the chair to Robert Tweed. Paper 82-11 was read for information.

Following the singing of Psalm 145 the Court was recessed in prayer by Dennis Fox.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 1982, 12:30 P.M.

Following the singing of Psalm 133 the Court was reconvened in prayer by Paul Wright. The Roll was noted. The Minutes were read and adopted.

The discussion of the Ottawa Theological Hall was taken up; again the Moderator relinquished the chair to Robert Tweed. Paper 82-11 was taken up. The recommendation was adopted and referred to the Moderator for implementation. The Moderator returned to the chair.

A partial Report of the Judicial Committee was taken up, read, adopted and referred to the Nominating Committe for implementation. This partial Report will be included with the final Report of the Judicial Committee; the papers handled in this action were given to the Commission appointed by the Nominating Committee.

A partial Report of the Nominating Committee was taken up. Item 1 was adopted. The recommended appointments were adopted. This partial report appears with the final Report of the Nominating Committee.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the Committee to Handle Paper 82-5. This Committee is listed with the Committees Appointed by the Moderator.

Isaac Ren, The Chinese voice of the Back to God Hour and author for materials published by the Reformation Translation Fellowship, was introduced to the Court.

The Report of the Japan Commission was read, received and appears with the reports of Presbyteries and Commissions.

The Court was led in prayer by Raymond Hemphill asking God to bless the work of the Japanese Church as they translate the Psalms into Japanese.

The Report of Paper 81-1 was taken up. A revised set of recommendations were distributed and read. Item 1 was adopted. Item 2 was adopted and referred to the Committee to Rewrite the BOOK OF CHURCH GOVERNMENT. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER PAPER 81-1

Paper 81-1 authored by Tom Joseph and presented through the Iowa Presbytery to the 1981 Synod is as follows:

> With the possibility of any future church union or radical change in denominational standards—
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> A. We petition Synod to appoint a special committee (including representatives from the Trustees of Synod) to work out an orderly proposal for allowing a congregation the right to hold its own property through that official agency recognized by the state as the legal representative of the congregation. This could be done only to maintain the standards of the church, such as the infallibility of the Bible and exclusive Psalmody, when the denomination as a whole has officially departed from constitutional standards.
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> b. We also petition Synod to authorize this same committee to investigate the possibility of keeping our institutional properties and money investments in the possession of the part of the body that maintains the constitutional standards.

Observations:

1. Civil or church courts do not usually rule on hypothetical cases, although the **Book of Church Government** does address the possibility of disorganized congregations.
2. The over all premise for this paper seems to be that the RPCNA is threatened with losing its identity or becoming apostate.

3. To make provision for any RPCNA to withdraw from the denomination for whatever reason would appear to allow for congregationalism in contrast to presbyterianism, to which we are committed as a scriptural doctrine.
4. To make contingency plans based on a "radical change in denominational standards" would require a very carefully worded definition of "radical change" which this committee is not prepared to do. Nor do we feel that a change in the church's position on Psalmody or the infallibility of the Bible would be the only alterations that would signal "radical change." The implication is that these two principles are the most important ones when referring to "the standards of the church."
5. Section B of the paper calls for denominational funds to remain under the control of those who maintain the constitutional standards of the church. Is there to be a monetary connection or material value placed on doctrinal standards? Such a proposal could give rise to the maintenance of church standards from wrong motives.
6. The proposition has been thought by some to have similar implications to that of a Christian married couple who believe that divorce is a sin, yet allowing for it by drawing up an agreement as to the division of their property in case of a separation. Therefore to countenance, at this point, the possibility of a "radical change in denominational standards" or "when the denomination as a whole has officially departed from constitutional standards" seems to compromise the professed unity of the RPCNA and to open the door to division, even if only by an infinitesimal crack.
7. The only item in the **Book of Church Government** that has reference to the disposal of church properties is in chapter three, paragraph 16, page 238. We would interpret the last part of that paragraph as saying in effect that any congregation leaving the denomination by its own decision becomes disorganized as far as the RPCNA is concerned and therefore the property is retained by the Board of Trustees of Synod. But as long as the organization is maintained as a Reformed Presbyterian congregation, that organization retains the right to the property.

We conclude therefore that under the present law of our denomination the request of this paper should be denied.

Recommendations:

1. That Synod reaffirm the position regarding holding church property as expressed in the **Book of Church Government** III paragraph 16, which recognizes that the local congregations and presbyteries are in fact only holding their property in trust for the body, i.e. the denomination.

2. That the following interpretive statement be adopted and referred to the Committee to Rewrite the **Book of Church Government**.
   17. Should a congregation by a two-thirds vote decide to leave the denomination, the Presbytery may declare the congregation disorganized and transfer the property to Synod's Board of Trustees or may continue the work in that place with any remaining members and the use of the property.

Respectfully submitted,
Raymond Hemphill
John Mitchell
Jerry Milroy
Howard Elliott, Chairman

The Report of the Committee on Long Range Financial Planning was taken up. Item 4 was deleted.

Following the singing of Psalm 148 the Court was recessed in prayer by Samuel Sterrett.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 1982, 7:30 P.M.

Following the singing of Psalm 106 the Court was reconvened in prayer by Robert McKissick. The Roll was noted. The Minutes were read and adopted.

The Moderator announced the Committee to handle paper 82-11 concerning the Ottawa Theological Hall. The Committee is listed with the Committees Appointed by the Moderator.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary was taken up. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was adopted. In keeping with the recommendation President Bruce Stewart addressed the Court on behalf of the Seminary. Item 3 was adopted. The Court proceeded to the election which resulted in the election of Bruce Stewart to a seven-year term as President of the Seminary. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

As of the writing of this report, thirteen men will be graduated at the Commencement exercises of May 21, 1982. Because men for the ministry are such a blessed gift from God to any church, this report begins with a word of thanksgiving to our Lord for these men, and a listing of their names. The following are recipients of the degree of

Master of Divinity, M.Div.: Jerry O'Neill, Daniel Foreman, John Monger, Cliff Glovier, William Pihl, Robert Schmidtberger, Jerry I. Maguire, Jonathan Watt, Peter Stazen II, Charles Van Gorder, and George Tady.

The following are the recipients of special training: Fred Taylor, Training in Ministry Certificate; and William Haddock, Diploma of the Seminary.

Pastor Samuel E. Boyle, D.D., is the guest speaker at the May 21 Commencement.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT

The ministry of our Seminary is varied. There are 51 students enrolled for either degrees or special training courses at 7418 Penn Ave. There are 13 students enrolled for the extension classes in Butler, Pa. There are 25 students from the Coalition for Christian Outreach training program at the Seminary, and 33 students in classes dealing with Youth Ministry. These statistics indicate an expanding ministry for the Seminary facilities, and the Seminary faculty.

LIBRARY

Miss Rachel George continues her work as the Seminary Librarian. She is continuing the computer recataloguing of the Library books, and this project has been aided by a grant of $6300 from the Vira I. Heinz Fund of Pittsburgh Foundation. We are grateful for Rachel's work, and the generous grant from the Pittsburgh Foundation. Sue Stazen and Jack Delivuk have helped Rachel in the recataloguing project during the past year.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT TO THE BOARD (9/22/81)

Fifteen students were involved in the Field Work Programs during the Summer of 1981.

The Seminary faculty conducted an Orientation Program for new students and their wives on September 8, 9, 1981. Each student was assigned a faculty advisor and counselor for the registration procedures, and for the coming year.

The faculty unanimously recommended to the Board of Trustees that they seek accreditation for our Seminary with the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. The Board of Trustees authorized President Stewart to begin the process to prepare for candidacy status with the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. President Stewart will give the Board a progress report at the May 1982 meeting.

FINANCES

The financial report for the Seminary is contained in the Treasurer's report for the denomination as a whole. Three out of the ten Seminary Apartments are now occupied by students. The remaining seven apartments will be filled by students as the existing leases expire.

The Seminary now shares the newly acquired Exxon office machine (i.e. a smart typewriter) with the Treasurer's office.

OFFICERS

The officers of the Board of Trustees are: President, John H. Tweed; Vice President, William H. Russell; Secretary, Edward A. Robson; and Treasurer, Louis D. Hutmire.

The Seminary Board is scheduled to meet on May 18, 1982. From that meeting will come any additional information for this report, and the Board's Recommendations to the Synod of 1982.

Recommendations:

1. The following names be given to the Nominations Committee. The Terms of Dr. Stewart M. Lee, and Dr. Edward A. Robson expire at this meeting of Synod: Paul Patterson, John Mitchell, William Cornell, Lauren Wolcott, and Donald Birdsall.
2. That President Bruce C. Stewart be heard on the floor of the Synod on behalf of the Seminary.
3. That Bruce C. Stewart be nominated as President of the Seminary and Professor of Pastoral Theology for a term of seven years to begin June 1, 1983, and that we proceed immediately to the election.

Respectfully submitted,
Edward A. Robson,
Secretary of the Board

Mr. Jacob Fisher, fraternal delegate from the Reformed Church in the United States, brought greetings from that body. Bruce Martin, our delegate to their Court responded to Mr. Fisher.

Greetings from the Presbytery of the Australian Reformed Presbyterian Church were read.

The Report of the Reformation Translation Fellowship was taken up and read. Items 1-3 were adopted. Charles Chao, executive director, addressed the Court on behalf of the Fellowship. The Report was received and is printed in the Appendix to the MINUTES.

Mrs. Faith Martin presented the Report of the Woman's Association. The Reports were received and are as follows:

THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION 85TH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SECRETARY JANUARY 1, 1981—DECEMBER 31, 1981.

"And I will bring the blind by a way that they know not, I will lead those in paths that they have not known. I will make darkness light before them and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them and not forsake them." So wrote Isaiah (42:16) centuries ago which can be affirmed by the Board of Directors in 1981.

This has been a year of decision making, hard work (mental-physical) and accompanied by increased momentum. There have been the normal responsibilities, the unexpected extra ones which appear from time to time and the actual starting of the building project. However, by God's mercy and guidance the following were true: (1) the assurance that each Board member wanted only the best for the Home and its residents. Decisions often come only after lengthy discussions and many questions but the spirit of harmony always prevailed and (2) the availability of assistance from (a) Board of Advisors and Attorney with a wide range of experience and knowledge (b) certified and dedicated Administrators and staff (c) concerned and cooperative Home members and (d) an architect and a contractor who work well with each other and the Board. Therefore with God's blessing and the assistance of others progress has been made on all fronts.

1. The construction project and other areas that directly affect it.

You may remember the report last year of the first inspection ever conducted here by the Department of Health's Life Safety Code Division which revealed many deficiencies. This required a plan of compliance accompanied by a time table for its completion. Early this year Mrs. Martin, Mr. Sanderson, Mr. John P. Edgar and Mr. Rogers went to Harrisburg to meet with officials of the Life Safety Code. This face to face discussion produced a clearer understanding of mutual problems and possibly more credibility. The necessary relocation of some members took place last year but the installation of fire doors, sprinkler system, smoke detectors, the posting of signs and fire proofing rugs were a part of this year's actions. Some requirements are "on waiver" in view of the building project. All the physical improvements made will serve the future facility.

While on the subject of inspections it should be noted that in May another "First" was made here by the State's Personal Care Boarding Home Program. It resulted in a score of 97.2 out of 100. The two deficiencies noted were failure to post a daily menu and to list each individual item of care given each residential member. In October the Home was rated 100% by the same agency in compliance with the

latest official state requirement and a two-year Personal Care License was granted.

A basic need for the erection of the building project was a Certificate of Need. In order to obtain such, proof must be shown for the need of such a facility in the locality and that there is the ability and the financial backing to operate it. To prove the need for the Home here, the Public Relations Committee requested responses from ministers throughout the church, Synod, and political and other local civic leaders in the area. The response was most gratifying.

Two other necessary reports: "The Feasibility Study" and the HSA both required documentation of many detailed items which took hours of investigation in addition to publishing the results of these studies. Mr. Weir, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. McKissock, and Mrs. McMillan made up this committee and are due special thanks for their effort. It should also be noted that when these were presented to HSA at the local level they were given 100% approval. This rating then became a part of the presentation at the additional hearings at upper government levels.

While awaiting the necessary decisions the Board went forward on faith that they would be favorable by: meeting immediate needs of the Home, looking for and taking advantage of opportunities for increasing financial status, and filling vacancies so that starting work would not be delayed and interruptions might be avoided. Permission was granted in October and the project started.

In March schematics of the proposed Home Plans were displayed and discussed. Decisions for future expansion could well depend on decisions made for the immediate construction. Therefore a dual responsibility was involved and each detail was carefully considered.

A search had begun for a contractor. Considerations for such were: A large vs. a small firm, experience in nursing home construction, interest in project, character, and a sound financial statement—which is a must in this field. At least six were interviewed before making the final decision—the selection of the Uh1 Construction Co., Inc., Allison Park, Pa. This company has a high bonded rating, came highly recommended and its representatives have shown themselves to be knowledgeable, cooperative and comfortable with whom to work. With this decision made the Architect was given permission to proceed with final drawings at once. Progress is already visible on the sundeck area, details of the first phase of construction studied and preparation for demolition of Annex practically complete.

The actions just reviewed and others yet to come require financial support. The fact is the total project cost of the proposed building is $4,192,000. Therefore many sources of securing funds were investigated. A Fund raising Committee was appointed: Faith Martin, Chair-

person, Dorothy McKissock, Marian Brooks, G. M. Robb and Don McCrory. There is excellent coordination between this committee and the Public Relations since Mrs. McKissock is a member of each. (more under Public Relations)

Synod was approached through its Board of Trustees, Mr. John Mitchell, President. That request resulted in the authorization of a loan from Synod's General Investment Funds for this project of an amount up to $750,000 to the Association. This amount far exceeds by many times any loan that the Trustees have ever made for any purpose. Also the 1981 Synod authorized a grant of $100,000 to the Building program of the Association. This amount ranks among the highest of any grant to any department of the denomination. And there's more to come: They passed the following special resolution "That Synod gives permission to the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association to canvas the entire denomination for donations or pledges for donations for their expansion and renovation program and that we give our whole hearted support to the Woman's Association in the tremendous effort to provide modern facilities for the care of the elderly of our church." Words cannot express the praise due God and the appreciation and thanks this Association owes to Synod for both their moral and financial support. So far as the financial area is concerned this action will not only give us the money itself but this financial backing will make other financial opportunities possible.

A mortgage commitment with the Union National Bank has been accepted and signed. This mortgage was arranged through the Industrial Development Authority and therefore is tax exempt.

A new contract for applicants to the Residential section was approved. This contract will provide for a higher entrance fee which will be used to reduce monthly rates. The fee will belong to the Home as long as the individual is a member of the Home. A portion of this fee will be refunded to the individual should they leave the Home for any reason or to the individual's estate following death. The Home will retain 1% of the fee for each month of occupancy. Eight and one-third years of residency in the Home will completely deplete the fee but no new fee will be imposed. Because of these new features the entrance fee has been renamed the Refundable Life Use Fee. The Board feels this method benefits the Home and the individual. In no way will this higher fee be permitted to prevent Reformed Presbyterians with insufficient funds to enter the Home. There will be no entrance fee for admission to the nursing unit either from the residential section or by direct admission.

Another area of study was certification requirements for the State Medicaid Program. The program would pay a maximum of $950 a month for those in Intermediate Care who have insufficient personal funds. A proposed "Utilization Review Plan" for the Home was pre-

sented, discussed and accepted. An Agreement to be signed with the Department of Public Welfare was authorized. Department of Health Inspectors visited the Home June 25-6 to inspect it using Medicaid regulations. Corrections were made and the Home was certified by Medicaid on July 10, 1981. Application for M.A. payments was authorized.

One of the licensure requirements for skilled nursing is to have a registered nurse be the Director of Nursing. The Board of Directors felt that having the Director of Nursing be a part of the nursing program while it is being formulated would be a great advantage. After discussion the Board authorized the President to appoint a search committee. Two well qualified, certified, and highly recommended Christians were interviewed for the position and the "Administrator-to-be" was authorized to make the final decision considering the recommendations of the Search Committee.

The Public Relations Committee started the publicity campaign by mailing 1500-2000 brochures. Home members enjoyed doing their share in this outreach. Contact with the R.P.C.E.S. continues. In the combined effort with the newly formed Fund Raising Committee the program was expanded. A goal of $1,000,000 was set for donations to the Building Fund. Congregations were contacted through the chairmen of the deacon boards, individual mailings of brochures, etc. will continue and financial updates of Building Fund will be published in the Witness at regular intervals as well as those on progress in general. Ground breaking ceremonies are being planned.

Here are examples of responses to the financial need on the individual and congregational level. These were two reported at a recent Board Meeting: (1) A gift of $1,000 from Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Martin in honor of the many hours of volunteer service given the Home by Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Hemphill and (2) that of $3,000 given by the Wilkinsburg Congregation. The Board gives its sincere thanks to the above named as well as to all other contributors. Thank you notes are being mailed.

Speaking of service rendered, the Board wishes to thank publicly Mr. Charles McKissock. His knowledge and advice so cheerfully given were productive and certainly appreciated.

The Board's official attorney is Mr. John P. Edgar and as such he has been writing contracts, studying contracts, advising on investments and other necessary decision making situations. He knows the legalities, is quick to detect possible loop holes and can advise in avoiding other pitfalls. His legal ability plus his own personal interest in the project makes him invaluable. The Board realizes it is privileged to have his services.

So much for the activities dealing primarily with the rennovation and expansion progress, which may be more spectacular but, by no means, the more important. The Association's purpose is not only "to establish" but also "to maintain" this Home and at the present the second is basic to the first.

The moving of so many members from one area to another as required by the inspection results and the many physical changes could have proved most upsetting to the members. Uncertainty can surely create a feeling of insecurity. But this was not allowed to happen. Mr. Sanderson explained the situation to those affected, individually or collectively as the situation demanded and with the understanding came the willing cooperation. Regarding the required building improvements, which had also been explained, much preplanning accompanied by a logical time table brought the project to its completion as scheduled with minimum confusion. The residents had been interested—not concerned.

At the October Board Meeting Mr. Sanderson submitted a letter of resignation as superintendent in favor of retirement. This was accepted by the Board who also later rehired him as Assistant to the Administrator. The newly elected Administrator is Mr. William Weir. A new Job Description has been written for Mr. Sanderson, which is agreeable to all parties concerned. The Board welcomes both gentlemen to their new areas of responsibility. Again the Home members and the employees had been alerted to the move earlier and the transition has gone smoothly thus far.

Since the Accrual system of accounting seems to fit our needs better it is being used. Some changes in reporting were necessary and among other requirements was the adoption of a standard table of depreciation on items that are capitalized and depreciated over expected life span. The employees were given a benefit of some personal days and salary or wage increases. The annual Employee's Recognition Dinner was held in December and seemed to be greatly appreciated. Rates for residents were raised effective July 1, 1981.

Mrs. Faith Martin was elected representative before Synod awarded $11,000 to the Home for operating expenses. The Budget for 1982 was adopted.

Mr. and Mrs. William Weir requested permission from the Board to purchase the Tibby house. After getting two appraisals of the property the Board agreed to sell the Tibby house and contents to them for $42,000 with rights of first refusal to repurchase.

Efforts continue to find a purchaser for the coal rights in Westmoreland County but so far they show no promise.

Other services were performed by the Board, among which are the following: updating of Home slides for use at Midwest Presbyterial;

preparation and presentation of display at Synod; monthly visits made with Home members; held another McKee Dinner and Donation Day, the latter in the chapel and dining hall; and observed the following birthday anniversaries:

Mrs. Edna McKee Houston	100th	March
Mrs. Lucy Packard	90th	June
Miss Lola Weir	90th	August
Miss Emma Walter	100th	October
*Miss Anna Schaffer	90th	December

*Had to be canceled because of illness of the honoree.

A party is presently being planned honoring Mr. Sanderson.

Those who became members of the Home family in 1981:

1. Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Gault	March 26, 1981
2. Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Farley	April 11, 1981
3. Mr. Millard Russell	April 19, 1981
4. Mrs. Jane Bingham	December 31, 1981

Mr. Raymond Milroy is on a leave of absence.

Those taken to their Eternal Home:

1. Dr. Grace Martin	February 8, 1981
2. Miss Florence E. Crusan	April 9, 1981
3. Miss Emma McFarland	May 24, 1981
4. Mrs. Mae Cunningham	July 11, 1981
5. Mr. Millard Russell	October 12, 1981
6. Mrs. Lucy Packard	December 11, 1981

Two Advisory Board members were reelected to another three-year term. They are Dr. Bruce Stewart and the Rev. John O. Edgar. The Advisors have been kept up to date on the activities here. Their interest and willingness to give their time to listen and advise have been most helpful and is greatly appreciated.

Others to whom the Board wishes to express its appreciation and heartfelt thanks are Mr. Kenneth Sanderson, Superintendent and Mr. William J. Weir, Assistant—it has not been an easy year; instead one of mental and physical strain under pressure but sufficient grace and strength were given so work was planned, completed and deadlines met.

The Employees—capable of accomplishing their own responsibilities as well as others in many cases, in spite of all the extra activity going on and providing an environment of normalcy.

Mrs. Miriam Wenkhous—contributor of her time and ability in the stimulation of the creativity of interested Home members as she guides the Busy Bees.

The Auxiliary—Ready with its back up support at all times; contributors of gifts, money, entertainment for the family.

Mr. Melville W. Martin—Social Service Director—Pastor—Preacher—Board Member and Friend—really a source of inspiration to all.

Mrs. Sanderson, who is doing double duty exceptionally well, as she serves both as dietician and activity director.

Mr. Wendell Hemphill—contributor of time and effort as he took Home members shopping once weekly. Sometimes there were two trips, sometimes one.

Mr. Thomas Murphy—State Representative from this area for all the time and effort he spent helping us with different aspects regarding the HSA approval.

And then there is the Anonymous Home Member who contributed $1,000 toward the purchase of a copier for the Home.

Again thanks to all!

There were 48 members residing at the Home at the close of the year. The membership of the Association at press time was 467.

The following officers were elected after the Annual Association's adjournment:

Mrs. Fred (Faith) Martin	President
Mrs. William (Sandra) Johns	Vice President
Miss Adella Lawson	Recording Secretary
Mrs. Ronald (Virginia) Good	Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. Wendell (Mabel) Hemphill	Treasurer
Mrs. Willard (Shirley) McMillan	Assistant Treasurer

Remember that "Any member in good standing" in the R.P.C.N.A. may become an Association member by payment of $1.00 annual dues; a Life member by the fits of $25.00 at one time or a Life Director by the gift of $100.00 at one time. By the same donation one may be named a Life Member or a Life Director in Memoriam.

The Board wishes to thank all of you for your support through the years and to encourage its increase so that together with Psalmist all may promise:

"Then with my mouth and lips I will
Jehovah's name with praise adore.
And let all bless His holy name
forever and forever more."

Psalm 145:21

Respectfully submitted,
Adella Lawson, Secretary

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION

You will notice the title of this report uses the word administration because throughout the year 1981, Mr. Sanderson was the Administrator and I was his assistant. January 1, 1982 was my official beginning as Administrator so I will use the all inclusive word administration in this report for 1981.

It has been my pleasure to work with Ken and share many hours together in discussing the operation of the Home. We have prayed together, worked together and managed together as one cohesive unit under God's direction. We sincerely thank Ken for his three-and-one-half years as administrator, and I anticipate more years of working together with him in different roles.

The Lord has blessed and guided the Home in the decisions made this past year. Even during the previous year, as we chose the new auditing firm of Ernst and Whinney and on into 1981 when we entered into a contract with the architectural firm of Hunter, Heiges, Sabo, Douglas and Rogers of Sharon, Pennsylvania, the Lord was directing us. Through months of deliberation the Lord lead the Board of Directors to build on the present Perrysville site. There were several indicators in this decision which recently have become more clear. As the Home went through at least four review processes for State approval and two reviews for the City of Pittsburgh, the Lord helped us. **So many** hours were given by individuals in planning, discussing and organizing these review documents. Yet it was the Lord, working through officials of the State government, that gave the final Certificate of Need approval on October 2, 1981. As we sweated over which bank to secure our $3,000,000 construction loan from, it wasn't until November that the Lord opened and closed doors in guiding us to chose and reach an agreement with Union National Bank of Pittsburgh. As we installed approximately $60,000 worth of fixed equipment to satisfy the Life Safety Code requirements it was the Lord who enabled us to secure the necessary waivers from the Department of Labor and Industry to keep our Intermediate Nursing Care section open. It was with **great** difficulty that the Board decided in October that the Annex must be removed first and residents relocated before the construction could begin. God lead in this decision and has blessed us. Certainly it was with the Lord's leading that in the second week of January, 1982, I selected Mr. Jim Neely, a member of the Syracuse Reformed Presbyterian Church to be the New Director of Nursing as we enter into a new phase of planning for and providing skilled nursing. "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him." (James 1:5)

The year 1981 had its "firsts" for the Home. It was the first time the Home had to go through the Health Systems Agency Review process for any building program. It was the first time for the Home to be inspected by the Personal Care Boarding Program to receive a license to operate our residential care section, and it was the first time we were inspected and certified by the Medicaid program during one of our licensure inspections. And, of course, this was the first year our nursing section operated on the first floor instead of on the top floor.

I am grateful to each employee who has worked hard and faithfully in the care of our residents. During the Life Safety Code improvements and the Sundeck enclosure, the housekeeping staff had a difficult time keeping the Home clean. Maintenance suffered through the trouble of not having enough room to store everything. Nursing has had to endure cramped quarters since coming to the first floor. Food service has had to deal with keeping food counters and tables clean during the sundeck enclosure, not to mention the slightest burnt toast activating the fire alarm system and bringing the firemen here! Due to licensure requirements, Mrs. Marjorie Sanderson, our Dietician, has had to spend more regular time each day as activities coordinator with the Intermediate Care residents. This is very much appreciated. Rev. Mel Martin continues to serve as the Social Service Consultant for our Home. Let us remember that it is the employees who really make our Home home for all of the residents.

Much thanks is due the Board of Directors for their insight and effort in guiding the Home as they establish policies and make decisions concerning its future. Mrs. Mabel Hemphill deserves a special thank you for all the work she does as Treasurer. She is certainly a gifted person and I appreciate her work very much. The members of the Building Committee deserve special thanks for the difficult job of making decisions which have literally been set in concrete.

Finally there is one person on the Board of Directors I am very grateful for. This is our President, Faith Martin. Let me simply say that without her drive, her knowledge, her perception, and her love for the elderly I do not believe the building project would be as far along and as well organized as it is. It was Faith who really organized and orchestrated the Health Systems Agency Application among all her other responsibilities. No one knows the countless hours she spent this past year in Home related business. I realize there is much work to be done in the years ahead but I wanted to pause and say thank you to Faith for a job well done.

Mr. John P. Edgar, our attorney, also spent countless hours in the H.S.A. review meetings and arranging with Union National Bank the details of our construction loan and long term mortgage. He was a key person in the ability to achieve this $3,000,000 loan at the tax free rate of 11%. Thank you, John.

My time spent in preparing the Health Systems Agency Financial Feasibility Study, the I.R.S. 990 Report, the Charitable Organization Report and the MA-11 Cost Report have all been a tremendous learning experience. It will be a challenge to keep abreast of all the changes in the Health Care Field especially in long term care. It has been extremely helpful and even necessary for me to be involved in all the Building Committee Meetings and bank meetings.

I would like to finish my report by saying that our residents have reacted extremely well under all the pressure from the physical changes and restrictions to our building. We have made every effort to minimize the inconvenience to the residents yet I know for some it has been difficult. Mrs. Cunningham, Mrs. McWhinney, Miss Marie Taggart and Miss Weatherford were all in the hospital for surgery during 1981 and we are thankful that all recovered from the surgery well, although Mrs. Cunningham died later on. Mr. Sanderson, Rev. Martin and I have tried to maintain the spiritual tone of the Home knowing very well that God is watching over His flock individually and that without His help our efforts are fruitless. We are thankful for those who have preached for the Home on various Sabbath afternoons and especially thankful that the Allegheny Congregation takes such a keen interest in the residents of the Home. I am thankful, too, for the Auxiliary and for the volunteer work they do to help make this home a special place to live.

Let us remember as we expand and build in the next year, that the residents of the Home, both present and future, are the focal point of our work and we are building **their** retirement home. I covet your prayers as I direct and manage the daily operation of the Home.

Respectfully submitted,
William J. Weir, Administrator

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN HOME
ORIGINS OF INCOME
FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981

Public Support:		
General Contributions	$ 36,297	4.1%
Capital Funds Campaign	243,412	27.7%
Donation Day	5,375	.6%
Bequests	28,543	3.3%
Auxiliary	1,664	.1%
Total Public Support	$315,291	35.8%
Related Revenue:		
Investment Income	$177,673	20.2%
Deceased Members Entrance Fees	25,000	2.9%
Share of Synod's Budget	9,000	1.0%
Other & Miscellaneous	3,793	.5%
Total Related Income	$215,466	24.6%
Revenue From Operations	$348,247	39.6%
Total Income For 1981	$879,004	100.0%

Following the singing of Psalm 4 the Court was adjourned in prayer by Robert LaMay.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 1982, 8 A.M.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment on Wednesday, June 16, 1982, at 8 a.m. at Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Before the convening of the Court the concurrent Synods and General Assemblies worshipped together. The Courts were addressed by Charles Colson, Executive Director of Prison Ministries Fellowship.

After the singing of Psalm 31 the Court was convened in prayer by John Duke. The Roll was noted. The Minutes were read and adopted.

Henry Lewis Smith, the fraternal delegate from the Presbyterian Church in America, was introduced to the Court.

The Report of the Board of Education and Publication was taken up. Items 1 and 2 were adopted. Item 3 was referred back to the Board. Items 4a and b were adopted. Item c was referred to the Committee on Finance. Robert McFarland was nominated by the

Board. The time of election was set for Thursday morning. Item 5 was adopted. At the request of the Board Donald McCrory, the Director of Publication and Educational Material, addressed the Court. Item 6a was adopted. Item 6b was referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 7 was adopted.

After the singing of Psalm 72 the Court was recessed in prayer by Godfrey Franklin.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 1982, 12:30 P.M.

Following the singing of Psalm 96 the Court was reconvened in prayer by Joe Copeland. The Roll was noted. The Minutes were read, amended and adopted.

The Court was opened for final nominations to be placed on the ballot. Nominations were closed. The elections were set for tonight after the reading of the Minutes.

The Report of the Judicial Commission for Matters of the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery was given. The Report is as follows:

June 15, 1982

MEETING OF THE JUDICIAL COMMISSION OF SYNOD TO DEAL WITH MATTERS PRESENTED BY MEMBERS OF THE OHIO-ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY

The Commission met at 9:40 p.m. at the Synod meeting at Calvin College and was constituted in prayer by the Moderator, Dean Smith. Other members are Clark Copeland, Robert McConaughy, Willard McMillan and John White.

Willard McMillan was appointed Clerk.

On Motion, it was agreed that members will not discuss the issues with members of Ohio—Illinois Presbytery except in Commission meetings.

The papers submitted to the 1982 Synod turned over to the Commission are:

82-4 — a petition from Roy Blackwood and six others concerning the manuscript of **Man's Body, God's Glory** by Elder Fred Cretors:

82-8 — a defense against this complaint by Donald Mullinnix and Garland Kincaid:

82-15— a complaint from Elder Don Prichard:

82-16— a complaint from Roy Blackwood and Keith Magill concerning the formation of the Covenant Fellowship of Indianapolis.

On motion, the Commission will request copies of the Minutes of the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery Synod meeting(s) and of ensuing meetings of Presbytery and its commissions until such time as the work of this Commission is completed, (as well as the Minutes of the Church Extension Commission from 1980).

The Commission adjourned in prayer by Clark Copeland.

Willard McMillan, Clerk

June 16, 1982

The Commission met at 8:55 a.m. at Calvin College as called by the Moderator. The Commission was constituted in prayer by Willard McMillan. All members were present.

The Moderator reported concerning his perusal of the Minutes of the Presbytery.

On motion, the Covenant Fellowship Congregation of Indianapolis is to be recognized as a congregation on the basis of the action of the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery on May 21, 1982. However, the congregation is directed not to elect elders or to make out a call until the matters before the Commission are adjudicated. This shall not be interpreted as any adjudication of the issue.

The Commission adjourned in prayer by John White.

Willard McMillan, Clerk

People who have any question about any of the persons appointed to the Judicial Commission for Matters of the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery are to speak to Donald Piper, Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

The following special resolution was adopted: That the Board of Education and Publication permit Stanley Copeland to prepare a concordance for the Psalter.

The Committee to give Counsel Regarding War gave a verbal report. They reported having corresponded with certain government officials. The following books were recommended for study: WAR AND CHRISTIAN ETHICS by Arthur Holmes and OPTIONS IN CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN ETHICS by Norman Geisler.

Paper 82-17 from two members of the Court concerning the nuclear arms freeze was referred to a committee of Ronald Stegall, chairman; Bruce Hemphill, Surrendra Gangadean, Robert LaMay, Roy Blackwood.

The Report of the Committee on Inter-Church Correspondence and Study was taken up. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 3 and 4 were adopted. Item 5 was amended and adopted. Items 6-9 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON INTERCHURCH CORRESPONDENCE AND STUDY

Your Committee held one meeting since the last meeting of Synod on March 30, 1982 with all members of the Committee in attendance. Another meeting is planned during Synod.

Fraternal delegates have been appointed to the annual meetings of the Eureka Classis-Reformed Church in the U.S. and the Synod of the Free Church of Scotland in North America. Observers have been appointed to the Synods of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church and the Korean American Presbyterian Church. Since we are meeting concurrently at the same location with other NAPARC churches and will be meeting together with them in several assemblies, we have not appointed fraternal delegates to those bodies this year.

NAPARC in its annual meeting in Philadelphia, October 23, 1981 voted unanimously to receive the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church and the Korean American Presbyterian Church into NAPARC as member churches. When two-thirds of the present members of NAPARC vote in their own Assemblies/Synods to receive each of the above churches they will then become constituent members of NAPARC. Our Committee is recommending to our Synod that both denominations be received. In addition, we are recommending that if they are received into NAPARC that we invite each of these denominations to enter into fraternal relations with our church. Of special significance this year have been the NAPARC Study Conferences on Hermeneutics; a report of this Conference will be given at a joint evening session at Grand Rapids on June 14. (A copy of the report is appended to this report.)

Since the Orthodox Presbyterian Church had invited our Committee to meet with their Committee on Ecumenicity back in 1980, and since one of the results of that meeting was the Joint Study Conference on Psalmody in June 1981, and since our discussion of subordinate standards was seen as an on-going discussion, and since providentially the Orthodox Presbyterian Church and we were not included in the Joining and Receiving with the Presbyterian Church in

America, we have invited the Committee on Ecumenicity of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church to meet with our Committee during the time of meting of the concurrent Assemblies/Synods in June. We have also responded to an invitation from representatives of the Protestant Reformed Church indicating that our Committee would be pleased to meet with them in June at the time of the concurrent Assemblies/Synods to get acquainted and learn more about each other.

Our Committee is concerned to see commitment to Biblical Ecumenism carried out at the local level. Perhaps we need to be asking some of the following questions: How do we as local Pastors reflect the unity of the church? What is there that characterizes our relationships with other congregations with whom we share a commitment to Biblical inerrancy? Are there ways in which we can strengthen and encourage one another in building the church of Christ in our local community? We are recommending that each session/congregation give this some consideration and then send to our Committee Chairman a review of what they are doing so we can report to next Synod ways of implementing Biblical Ecumenism at the congregational level.

Expenses related to Interchurch Relations are as follows:

Fraternal Delegates to:		
Free Church of Scotland, N.A.	$ 30.	
CRC Synod	82.	
PCA General Assembly	364.	
Eureka Classis	237.	
RPCES Synod	321.	
OPC General Assembly (at Geneva)	0.	$1034.
Delegates to NAPARC		450.
Minutes of Synod to other bodies		169.
Committee Expenses (Meeting, postage, phone)		259.
		$1912.

NAE Delegate expense in 1981 (down $193. from 1980) was $1070. Since it was pointed out to our Committee that our denominational relationship with NAE is generally within the purview of our Committee, and since we have been asked by Synod to report NAE delegate expenses, and since we have the responsibility to appoint fraternal delegates, we have responded to that request, and will appoint delegates to NAE and include in our report recommendations regarding our denominational support of NAE. We have appointed James Wright as the delegate to the 1983 NAE Convention in Orlando, FL, and D. Howard Elliott as our official representative on the Board of Administration.

In 1978 our Committee was asked to enter into a joint study with the OPC on the question of women deacons. Since NAPARC had just completed a study of the Office of Deacon, and since the conclusion of the study indicated an even more important issue of hermeneutics, it was decided to have a NAPARC Study Committee on Hermeneutics. The NAPARC Study Committee on Hermeneutics will being a final report next year. That would seem then to be the appropriate time to initiate joint study with the OPC on the question of women deacons.

Recommendations:

1. The terms of John H. White and James M. Wright expire at this meeting of Synod and their successors should be chosen.
2. That $500 be given in 1982 and $500 in 1983 from the Miscellaneous Fund as our denominational contribution to NAE.
3. That each Session send to our Committee Chairman, Bruce C. Stewart, a review of what they are doing at the local level reflecting the unity of the church.
4. That we as a Synod approve the receiving of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church as a member denomination of NAPARC.
5. That we invite the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church to enter into full fraternal relations with us.
6. That we as a Synod approve the receiving of the Korean American Presbyterian Church as a member denomination of NAPARC.
7. That we invite the Korean American Presbyterian Church to enter into full fraternal relations with us.
8. That we refer to NAPARC our assignment from last Synod (**1981 Minutes**, p. 111) and recommend that fraternal delegates do more than just bring greetings; rather that they seek to address issues that are particularly pertinent to the two bodies involved.
9. That we authorize the R.P. members on the Board of Administration of NAE to make an appeal for offerings to be taken in our congregations to meet current financial needs of the NAE.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce C. Stewart, Chairman
Bruce Backensto
Paul M. Martin
Randall VanOsdol
John H. White
James M. Wright

Following the singing of the Psalm 47 the Court was recessed in prayer by David Peachy.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 1982, 7:30 P.M.

Following the singing of Psalm 68 the Court was reconvened in prayer by Dewey McIlwee. The Roll was noted. The Minutes were read, amended and adopted.

Bassam Madaney, the Arabic voice of the Back to God Hour, was introduced to and addressed the Court.

Following prayer by Donald Piper the Court voted for people to fill vacancies on Boards and Committees.

A partial Report of the Committee on Finance was read, amended, adopted and appears with the final Report of the Committee.

The Report of the Committee to Study the Office of Evangelist was taken up. The Moderator, being the Chairman of the Committee, relinquished the chair to Robert Tweed for the discussion of the Report. The Report was referred back to the Committee.

The Report of the Judicial Committee was taken up. Paper 82-7 was referred to the Committee to Rewrite the BOOK OF CHURCH GOVERNMENT. Paper 82-13 on Catholic Baptism was referred to the Committee on the Nature of the Visible Church as it Relates to the Sacraments.

PARTIAL REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

The Judicial Committee believes that the matters brought to our attention by several petitioners from the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery in Papers 82-4, 82-8, 82-15, 82-16 do require the attention of a commission of Synod.

Therefore, we recommend the appointment of a Judicial Commission to consider the matters brought to Synod's attention in Papers 82-4, 82-8, 82-15, 82-16.

1. To affirm or disallow the establishment of the new congregation (Covenant Fellowship of Indianapolis), and
2. to review the manuscript MAN'S BODY, GOD'S GLORY and take any action appropriate to the peace and welfare of the church and consistent with the RPCNA Constitution, and
3. to mediate the dispute between several parties in the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery and seek reconciliation between brothers consistent with truth and righteousness (Col. 3:12-15) and institute proceedings if deemed necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

D. Birdsall
H. Harrington
S. Gangadean
W. Cornell
B. Hemphill, Chrm.
J. Hughes

The Report of the Long Range Financial Planning Committee was taken up. After discussion the Report was referred back to the Committee.

The Report of the Committee on paper 82-5 was taken up, read and adopted. The paper and the report are as follows:

PAPER 82-5

Fathers and Brethren,

Several of our new members have remarked on the value of the former Committee on the Signs of the Times and have asked if such a committee could be reinstated. The Cambridge session concurs with this sentiment and asks that the Synod consider restoring this committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO DEAL WITH PAPER 82-5

The paper from the Cambridge Session asked Synod to consider restoration of the Committee on Signs of the Times. Synod directed this Committee to make recommendation concerning the wisdom of this proposal.

For many years a committee on Signs of the Times was appointed annually to report to Synod. Membership on the committee was changed each year. The reports dealt with a variety of contemporary issues. The last report made to Synod was in 1968 and the next year the committee reported that no report was prepared. That Synod of 1969 appointed four persons to give reports the next year: one on science, one on politics, one on education and one on religion.

The Clerk's report to the 1970 Synod recommended that these reports be given to the 1971 Synod. However, they do not appear in the 1971 Minutes, nor in later records, and a Signs of the Times Committee was not re-appointed.

It is the judgment of this Committee that it would be unwise to reactivate the Signs of the Times Committee. The principle of alerting one another to a Christian perspective on contemporary culture is excellent. We do not feel, however, that an annual report to Synod is an effective way to accomplish this goal. We question whether there would be enough done in response to the annual report to warrant the expenditure of the time and energy. It would be better to use a

means that would provide relevant insights to persons in the local congregations. The **Covenanter Witness** provides a way of addressing contemporary issues and our members should be urged to make use of its columns both as readers and contributors. Other religious periodicals such as **Christianity Today** and the **Presbyterian Journal** can be used to keep our people informed.

Respectfully,
Godfrey Franklin
Ray Joseph
William Simons
Willard McMillan, Chr.

Raymond Hemphill was introduced to the Court as a missionary to Japan for a one-year term. He and his wife will help with the teaching of the Sterrett children and other apsects of the mission work.

The Report of the Committees on Records of Presbyteries was taken up. The items in the Report referred to Synod's Judicial Commission on matters of the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery were removed from the Report and referred directly to the Commission. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES TO EXAMINE THE RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES

The Minutes of the following Presbyteries were read and nothing was found contrary to the law and order of the church: Iowa, Midwest, New York, Pacific Coast, Pittsburgh, St. Lawrence, and the Japan Commission.

The Committee to Examine Minutes of Ohio-Illinois Presbytery from June 1, 1981 through March 27, 1982, (pp. 1-66) has read the appropriate Minutes and makes the following notations:

1. The Committee raises concern for the care which the Presbytery gives its members. David Peachy was continued as Associate Pastor of West Lafayette but his financial support was terminated because of financial difficulties within the congregation. We also note the resignation of Godfrey Franklin: no discussion was mentioned of care for him following his resignation.

We recommend that Synod request Ohio-Illinois Presbytery to note these concerns and make response to the Synod.

2. On page 15, reference is made to a request from a congregation to the Presbytery for permission to hold election for Deacons, which ought not be necessary. It has come to our attention that the Minutes do not accurately reflect the situation.

We recommend that a fuller explanation be made in the Minute Book.

Respectfully,
Stanley Copeland, Asst. Clerk.

Following the singing of Psalm 92 the Court was recessed in prayer by James Pennington.

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1982, 8 A.M.

The Synod met pursuant to adjournment at Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Before the convening of the Court the concurrent Synods and General Assemblies worshipped together. Dean Smith from our Synod led in devotions preaching from Psalm 131.

Following the singing of Psalm 63 the Court was convened in prayer by Paul Martin. The Roll was noted. The Minutes were read and adopted.

The floor was opened for Nominations for the office of Director of Youth Ministries. Robert McFarland was nominated by the Board. Raymond McCracken was nominated. Nominations were closed. The Court defined the vote in this way. A delegate may vote for either of the two nominees or may mark his ballot "abstain." For election a man must have more than 50% of the total vote. Ballots marked "abstain" shall be counted in the total number of ballots for determining a majority. Robert McFarland was elected.

The Report of the Board of Education and Publication was taken up, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF BOARD OF EDUCATION AND PUBLICATION

The E. and P. Board met twice as a board and once as an executive committee this past year. Don McCrory, Director of Publication and Educational Materials, continues to function professionally and energetically to fulfill both the spirit and the letter of the many assignments that come his way. The Board has experienced a year in which we have made significant gains in clarifying and moving toward specific goals that Synod has established for us.

The item of business that has received more energy and attention than any other this year has been in fulfilling our assignment from Synod in 1980 "that the Board of Publication and Education be encouraged to appoint a secretary for young people's work on a part time basis without compensation except for expenses" (**Minutes of Synod**, 1980, p. 75).

The Executive Committee of the Board convened in Pittsburgh, February 15 and 16 to deal exclusively with this assignment. Ken Smith and Lee Bittner, having previously served the denomination in capacities similar to that which Synod is seeking, shared with Board President Robert McFarland, Vice President Isaac VerHage and Secretary William Simons, views on where the denomination has been with Christian Education and where they, Smith and Bittner, think we should be going. They also shared their views on what qualifications we should be seeking in this young people's secretary and what, in general terms, the job description should look like.

In light of these two resource people's comments and our subsequent discussion, the Executive Committee agreed that anyone who would undertake the awesome responsibilities involved in directing youth ministries throughout the denomination could not do so in a half-hearted, part-time, unpaid capacity. That is, we agreed that the denomination would have to take this person as seriously as we expected him to take his job. We would have to pay him.

The Executive Committee then discussed a specific title, job description, appointment schedule, qualifications, salary and expenses for this person. The Committee made its proposal to the full Board in March and, after consultation with Lou Hutmire about finances, adopted the following proposal for this denominational position:

Title: Director of Youth Ministries

Job Description:

1. Providing information, leadership and training for Christian Education in the congregations and presbyteries
2. Developing a youth ministries program for the denomination to assist in local mission congregations and those desiring summer/long-term assistance
3. Finding and, when necessary, developing a usable education curriculum for Sabbath School, catechism and young people's societies in the denomination
4. Serve on the National Conference Planning Committee
5. Report semiannually to the E & P Board and annually to Synod

Appointment: Two years, beginning January 1983, with an evaluation at the end of the first term prior to reappointment.

First reappointment: For a second two-year period with an evaluation at the end of those two years.

Subsequent reappointments: For three-year periods with regular reporting and evaluation at the end of each term.

Qualifications:

1. Spiritually mature and strong in the faith
2. Ordained, preferably a teaching elder
3. Training in CE, preferably with masters degree in education
4. Creative, self-starting idea person
5. Ability to communicate with youth and adults
6. Ability to work within Board structure

Salary and expenses:

Salary (including approximately 40% for housing and appurtenances)	$22,500
Blue Cross Blue Shield	1,850
Travel	6,000
Office expenses	4,650
TOTAL	$35,000

The Board unanimously agreed to propose Bob McFarland, to Synod, as the Board's nominee for Director of Youth Ministries. At the request of the board Pastor McFarland has presented his vision for the directorship and can be found on page 15 of this report. You will find several Objectives, Goals, and Methods set before the Synod. The Board felt that the Director of Youth Ministries was the proper person to organize and implement any type of Summer Training Program.

During this past year the Board was presented a proposal for a computerized Psalter Concordance. It was proposed that this Concordance might be included in the back of **The Book of Psalms For Singing** or to be published as a separate piece. If added to the back of the Psalter, the concordance would increase the size and weight of the volume by about 50%. Furthermore, such a concordance might cost $6-7000 and to our mind would add little to the existing index of first lines, subject index, author index, metrical index, and other helps in the Psalter. These problems coupled with others led the Board to agree to table the proposal.

The Board approved the request of the Director of Publications for an editorial board with whom he might consult when necessary. Specific approval was given to Professors Wayne Spear, Robert Copeland, and Norman Carson, and Miss Kay Day as the consultants to the Editor serving the Board.

The Board also approved the Director's request that he be permitted to use the services of contributing editors from throughout the denomination when needed.

The Board rejoices in the healthy sale of Psalters and laments the fact that **Covenanter Witness** subscriptions are about the same as last year despite the fact that efforts to increase subscribers did succeed. Nevertheless, these increases were offset by an approximately equal number of lapses and cancellations. Therefore, the Board adopted the Publication Committee recommendation that three letters be sent to every congregation (to the pastor, chairman of the Board of Deacons and chairman of the C.E. Committee) to solicit contributions from each congregation for the Every Family Plan with a 10% discount if subscriptions are mailed to each family and a 15% discount if mailed in bulk to each church, and that every new household receive its first year subscription at half price, the other half to be paid by the congregation. As for printing the **Witness** the Board decided to continue using Mercury Press after considering bids from a competing printer.

In other actions, the Board agreed:

1. to present a paper to Synod asking that Synod study the whole issue of children's choruses,
2. to work **Lamentations** into its publishing schedule as soon as possible after Synod,
3. to drop publication of Glasgow's History,
4. to refer back to Synod's Board of Trustees the matter of Preparation of a Will,
5. to raise the price of the **Minutes of Synod** to $9.00 to cover the actual cost of publishing them.
6. to pay the Director's new secretary $9,000 and to pay the existing secretary a part-time hourly wage of $4.35 while she trains her replacement,
7. to update and print the denomination's Constitution, which has not been updated since 1978,
8. that the National Conference for 1984 be held at Carleton College, August 2-8, and that the Conference and Youth Committee submit this proposal to Synod in 1982 for approval, and that administrative personnel be contacted regarding their willingness to serve,
9. that Howard Elliot serve as the denomination's representative to the Irish Conference and that he receive an honorarium,
10. that the Board pay our American coordinator's air fare to the Irish Conference if he fails to earn a free seat,
11. that a synodical level evangelism program be assigned to the newly united Board of Evangelism and Board of Home Missions and Church Extension,
12. that ideas about Christian education be published bimonthly in the **Covenanter Witness**.

These were all concerns of the Publications Committee. The Curriculum and Teacher Training Committee offered the following response to Synod's query in 1981 about the relationship of the denomination to Great Commission Publications:

REPORT OF E & P BOARD TO 1982 SYNOD ON THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE RPCNA TO GREAT COMMISSION PUBLICATIONS

The RPCNA has long been associated with Great Commission Publications (GCP), which publishes graded Sabbath school curriculum materials for the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC) and, since 1975, for the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). That is, these two denominations, the OPC and the PCA, foot the publishing bill.

The RPCNA has largely depended on GCP to fulfill certain curricular needs where we do not publish curriculum materials of our own, since our doctrine is similar to that of the OPC and the PCA. We have, in fact, both given and loaned money to GCP to carry out their publishing program. In 1964 we gave GCP $30,000 toward their endeavors, and in 1970 we loaned GCP an additional $25,000. The loan was fully repaid with interest by 1980. In turn, they have graciously helped us maintain our position on worship by supplying an RP edition of primary student materials.

Our rationale for this cooperative effort was that it is far better to support GCP than to try to produce, maintain and distribute similar curricula of our own. To do so would not only entail a commitment of money and manpower questionable for a denomination of our size, but would also bypass an opportunity to support and encourage a good work like GCP.

It was Ken Smith who served as our liaison with GCP in the '60s and early '70s in a working relationship that proved very productive in serving our needs. During this period, Dr. Don Felker consulted with GCP in outlining the Primary course, and Dr. Mary E. Coleman of the Broomall congregation worked with GCP in creating it, including a special Primary edition of the curriculum for the RPCNA. She chose the Psalms, edited them for primary pupils and otherwise looked after their incorporation into the Primary curriculum, which is still available from GCP for use in Covenanter churches. Dave Armstrong and Lee Bittner also contributed to our work with GCP.

More recently, Don McCrory, denominational Director of Publications and a ruling elder in Covenant Fellowship, attended a "Consultation on the Educational Ministry of the Church in the Eighties" sponsored by GCP and has published some short articles in the **Covenanter Witness** dealing with GCP's curriculum. Kathy Adams of the

Broomall congregation, wife of Jon Adams, worked as a secretary for GCP until the summer of 1981 when Jon accepted a medical residency in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. And Bill Simons, a ruling elder in the Elkins Park congregation, is presently employed at GCP as an associate editor.

In light of the RPCNA's involvement with, interest in, and support of GCP, the Board of Education and Publications recommends that:

1. We continue to look to Great Commission Publications as a curriculum resource.
2. We look to the proposed Director of Youth Ministries as a liaison with GCP.
3. We attempt to coordinate our publications priorities with GCP's to avoid duplicating efforts and to help each other on particular projects of mutual interest.
4. We encourage Sabbath School teachers to use GCP materials.

The Board approved this report and its four recommendations for presentation at Synod. In addition, the Curriculum and Teacher Training Committee sent surveys to churches in an effort to learn what the denomination needs and wants from our publications services that cannot be met through existing publications and services offered by other publishers. This information has been collected and will be tabulated and summarized for Board review.

The Board's proposed budget for 1983 is based on our assumption that you want us to continue present services and that Synod will provide additional funds for any additional services or personnel including funds for a Director of Youth Ministries. Here is a summary of our financial position and plans:

	Actual 1981	Proposed 1982	Proposed 1983
Beginning Balance			
Receipts:	$(748.59)	$(10,735)	-0-
Subscriptions	13,318.27	16,000A	20,000
Synod's Budget	33,000.00	35,000	68,600
Undes. Fds. Synod		22,850B	
Other	3,335.85	5,200	9,200
Total Receipts	$49,654.12	$79,050	$97,800
Cash Available	48,905.53	68,315	97,800
Disbursements:			
Board	2,305,85	3,500	4,000
Salaries	24,885.00	27,900	30,200C
Office	11,067.30	11,745	12,400
WITNESS	21,337.90	23,670	26,200
Total	$59,596.05	$66,815	$72,800
Ending Balance	$(10,690.52)	$1,500	$25,000

A. 1981 CW subscriptions plus a 20% increase

B. Undesignated Funds approved by Synod was $10,000. Another $12,850 is needed to balance the budget.

C. 1982 salaries plus 8% increase

The Board is requesting $12,850 for undesignated funds from Synod's Board of Trustees to balance the budget.

The Board agreed to present to Synod's Nominating Committee our choice of nominees for the Board's class of 1985. They are: David Coon, Robert McKissick, Don Piper, Isaac VerHage, Dick Weir, Marty Wilsey and Bob Wilson. In view of outgoing Vice President, Isaac VerHage's excellent contributions to the Board these past three years, the Board wishes to emphasize its desire that he be reelected. And in view of Don McCrory's hard work and excellent management of the office and especially in light of his perseverance in getting out the **Covenanter Witness** each month, the Board requests that Synod renew his appointment as Director of Publications and Educational Materials which expires this year.

The Board adopted recommendations from its subcommittee concerning items (Papers #1, 2 and 7 of 1981 **Minutes of Synod**, pp. 110-111) from Synod's Committee on Inter-Church Correspondence. The papers read as follows:

Paper No. 1 Co-Ordination of the Testimonies of the R.P. Churches.

iv. That the Synods draft a modern covenant which incorporates the Biblical principles acknowledged in past Covenants and applies them to this age: that when drafted this Covenant be sworn in the churches. We further recommend that the drafting be done in close cooperation by the several Synods and that it be a uniform Covenant consistent with differing circumstances. The celebration of the 300th anniversary of Richard Cameron's death and subsequent events provides appropriate time to prepare for such covenanting acts.

Paper No. 2 Present Day Application of the Doctrine of the Lordship of Christ.

i. That Synods and/or individual members make every effort to propagate the doctrine of the Lordship of Christ and its application to every part of life, e.g., by letters to elected representatives and also to the media.

ii. That in order to keep ministers and the whole church alive to the doctrines of the Lordship of Christ, Synods give time for detailed consideration to one particular application of this doctrine each year.

iii. That the Church magazines keep the application of this doctrine of the Lordship of Christ constantly before the Church by way of special articles or reports of the Synodical Conferences.

Paper No. 7 Psalmody—Future Planning and Policy

i. That in consultation with one another the Synods should initiate a fresh revision of the Psalter over a period of years, to provide a metrical version that is an accurate translation of the original Hebrew. Tunes should be suitable for congregational singing and should retain as far as possible the rhythm and balance of Hebrew poetry.

ii. That in announcing Psalms in public worship ministers should indicate their relevance as Christian praise and should particularly stress their Christ-centered character.

iii. That the Churches publish material emphasizing the Christ-centeredness of the Psalms.

These items from Synod's Committee came to the Board and were referred to a special committee of the Board. That committee recommended and the Board adopted the following in response to these papers: (1) That the three R.P. synods consider a covenant specifically aimed at the Lordship of Christ over the nation, (2) that Synod schedule a conference each year focusing on the Lordship of Christ over a particular area such as the nation, labor-industry, education, etc., and (3) that the church magazines provide a column of comment on current legislation that should receive letter input from Christians.

Recommendations:

1. That the National Conference and Synod be held on the Carleton College Campus, August 2-8, 1984.
2. That the responsibility of the preparation of "Will" forms be referred to Synod's Board of Trustees.
3. That Synod refer the matter of preparation of Children's Chorus to a special committee to determine the theological propriety of the project.
4. a. That Synod approve the position of Director of Youth Ministries to be a full time position.
   b. That Synod elect a man to this position to begin on January 1, 1983.
   c. That upon approval of the position the budget prepared be adopted.
5. That we continue to look to Great Commission Publications as a curriculum resource and encourage the use of this material in the Christian Education program of the denomination.
6. a. That Synod appoint Donald McCrory to a three-year term as the Director of Publications and Educational Materials.
   b. That his salary be set at $20,400 for 1983.
7. That the enclosed summary on the office and work of Deacon be printed in the Appendix to the **Minutes of Synod**.

8. That the Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study be assigned the work of preparing as appropriate covenant for approval and use by our Church within the guidelines indicated by the studies which recent Synods have made and conclusions which they have reached on the subject of covenanting.
9. That emphasis on the lordship of Christ be approved and referred to Synod's Devotional Committee for 1983 for implementation. (See **Minutes of Synod 1981**, pp. 110, Paper #2 from the Report of the Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study.)
10. That Synod approve the proposed budget for 1983 and also designate $12,850 from undesignated funds to balance our 1982 budget.
11. In as much as the terms of Robert McFarland and David Carson on the Board of Education and Publication are completed and neither are eligible for re-election, we would request that Isaac VerHage be re-elected to the Board.

Respectfully submitted,
William J. Simons

The run-off election was held. A partial report of the Nominating Committee was read.

The Report of the Committee on Time and Place for the 1983 Synod was taken up, adopted, and is as follows:

TIME AND PLACE COMMITTEE FOR THE 1983 SYNOD

The 1981 Synod was originally voted to be held at Indiana University, and then was changed to Geneva College in order to hold the Conference on Worship.

For this reason your committee considered the feasibility of having the 1983 Synod meet at Indiana University. It was our conclusion, however, that for reasons of cost, convenience, pre-Synodic activity, etc., a Synod meeting at Indiana University should not immediately follow the Synod meeting at Calvin College. We are not opposed to the principle that Synod should meet from time to time in different areas of the church.

We Recommend:

That the 1983 Synod meet **at Geneva College**, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania on Saturday, June 25, at 7:30 p.m., local time.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul McElhinney
John McMillan, chairman

The Report of the Committee on Travel Fund and Absences was taken up and referred back to the Committee.

The Nominating Committee held another run-off election. A partial Report of the Nominating Committee was read, adopted and appears with the final Report of the Nominating Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Resolution of Thanks was read and adopted. The Court was led in prayer of thanksgiving by John O. Edgar. The Report is as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

"The Lord is my Shepherd, I will not want." (Psalm 23:1) This truly expressed the provision for the 1982 meeting of Synod at Calvin College and Seminary.

1. There has been no want of sustaining mercy through the many hazards of travel; we pray for the same on our return.
2. There has been no want of sustaining mercy for our families and congregations in our absence.
3. There has been no want of men and women to do the work of Synod.
4. There has been no want of blessing on our work.
5. There was no want of shelter, fellowship, recreation, rest and food.
6. There was no want of His grace to do important, and sometimes difficult, tasks well.
7. There was no want of opportunity to fellowship with brethren of like mind and heart.

Surely God's goodness and covenant faithfulness have followed us to Grand Rapids. And so we praise our Lord Jesus Christ, the Heir of all things, who administers His blessings to us in wonderous and unsearchable ways. He has given us many blessings this week including rebuke, challenge, and comfort. May these be the seeds of greatly multiplied blessings as we return to His sheep committed to our care.

We also express our thanks:

1. To the officers of Synod for their efficient leadership of our work.
2. To the Arrangements Committee for their dilligent attention to the slippery details of daily circumstances and activities.
3. To Calvin College and Seminary for making their facilities and services available to us, and for the privilege of extending the lines of fellowship with other Reformed and Presbyterian brethren.
4. To Miss Judy Linhart for her faithful work in Synod's office and for her thoughtful concern for the well-being of the members of Synod.

We recommend that the Synod express out thankfulness to Christ now in prayer, and at the close of this session in the singing of Psalm 138B.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Heimburger
Walter Swartz, Chairman

The Final Report of the Nominating Committee was read, adopted and is as follows:

FINAL REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Committee on Paper 82-6 on The Use of The Sabbath: Jerry O'Neill, Chairman; Wayne Spear, Ronald Good, Roy McDonald, Wendell McBurney.

Committee to Review the Charter of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College: Wayne Duffield, Chairman; Charles McKissock, Lester Kilpatrick.

Committee on the Use of Uninspired Hymns: Bruce Backensto, Chairman; James Pennington, Neal Mann, Raymond McCracken, Waldo McBurney.

Committee on Paper 82-2 on Civil Disobedience: Randall VanOsdol, Chairman; S. Bruce Willson, Wilmer Piper, Darrell Parnell, Edward Hindman.

Committee on Paper 82-9 on the Baptismal Vow: Thomas Price, Chairman; Bruce Hemphill, Joe Copeland, Donald Reed.

Judicial Commission for Ohio-Illinois Presbytery: Dean Smith, Moderator; E. Clark Copeland, Robert McConaughy, Willard McMillan, John White.

Appointed to the Committee on the Office of Evangelist: Stephen Conte.

Appointed chairman of the Temperence Committee: Glenn McFarland.

Those elected to fill vacancies on boards and committees of Synod:

Board of Corporators of Geneva College: Christian Hallstein, Class of 84; Paul Patterson, Class of 83; John Tweed, Class of 85.

Board of Education and Publication: Robert McKissick, Class of 84; Wendell McBurney, Willard McMillan, Isaac VerHage, Class of 85.

Board of Pension Trustees: John Smith, Class of 83; Joe Copeland, Dennis Wing, Class of 85.

Board of Foreign Missions: Godfrey Franklin, Max Mann, William Weir.

Board of Home Missions: John McMillan (Iowa), Walter Swartz (St. Lawrence), Mrs. Libby Maine.

Temperance Committee: R. Paul Wright
Board of Trustees of Seminary: Norman Carson, William Cornell.
Board of Trustees of Synod: Donald Birdsall, Louis Hutmire, Ronald Stegall.
Stated Clerk of Synod: Louis Hutmire.
Denominational Treasurer: Louis Hutmire.
Committee on Finance: Howard Elliott, Robert Finley.
Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study: Donald McCrory, Jerrold Milroy.
Committee on Arrangements: Robert Fullerton, Chairman, Martin Wilsey.
Committee on Travel Fund and Absences: Philip Pockras.
Constitutional Committee for Permanent Committee on Diaconal Ministry: Duncan Lowe, Chairman; John P. Edgar, David Fenchel, John McMillan, Robert Willson.
Additional Member appointed to the Committee to Rewrite the BOOK OF CHURCH GOVERNMENT: J. Paul McCracken.
Additional Members to the Committee on the Nature of the Church as it Relates to Sacraments: David Carson, Stephen Conte.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the policy of limiting consecutive service on a Board to two terms be continued and, that recommendation 6 of the Board of Trustees of Synod be defeated.

LETTERS OF REMEMBRANCE

TO:	FROM:
Philip L. Coon	Paul Faris
Kermit S. Edgar	Mel Martin
Philip W. Martin	Samuel E. Boyle
Paul D. McCracken	Lewis Keys
Luther B. McFarland	Russel James
R. W. Nickerson	Kenneth G. Smith
G. M. Robb	R. Paul Wright
Alvin W. Smith	Robert McMillan
J. G. Vos	Ed Robson
Paul D. White	Robert McElroy
D. Ray Wilcox	Glenn McFarland
S. Bruce Willson	John H. Tweed
J. Renwick Wright	G. Duncan Lowe
Don Weilersbacher	Robert Morrow
Eric McQuitty	Charles Sterrett
Charles Leach	Robert Rice
Toshio Masunaga	Tom Price

Robert McCracken
Nobuo Miwa
Gene W. Spear
William J. Sterrett
Shigeru Takiura
Orville Shoop
Randy VanOsdol
Ray McCracken
Bruce Martin
M. L. McFarland

The Report of the Committee to handle paper 82-11 concerning the Ottawa Theological Hall was taken up, read, was adopted as a whole, and is as follows:

COMMITTEE TO REPORT ON PAPER 82-11, RELATING TO THE OTTAWA THEOLOGICAL HALL

Dear Brothers,

Your committee believes that Synod, in response to Paper 82-11 should go on record as commending the vision and energy in the establishment of the Ottawa Theological Hall. The content of this report is in the nature of seeking to encourage the St. Lawrence Presbytery, the Board and the faculty of the Ottawa Theological Hall in their efforts.

We would first address the question as to whether the Presbytery has the right to establish a theological institution. Our answer is a qualified "Yes." We believe the presbytery does have that right. The qualification exists in that no presbytery is autonomous and the actions of a presbytery must always be taken in the light of other presbyteries and indeed, of Synod as well.

The question may then be asked as to whether the Synod has the right to review and inspect such an institution that is under the control of the presbytery. Again, our answer is a qualified "Yes." Certainly the Synod does have the right to review the actions and operations of a presbytery under its authority. However, the Synod does not, in such a case, assume the primary control, but Synod carries out its functions normally through such procedures as the review of the records of the presbytery, and the hearing of the reports of presbytery.

It is under this latter authority that the committee believes that certain questions or concerns ought to be mentioned and brought to the attention of St. Lawrence Presbytery. It is essential that the quality and stability of the institution be maintained at the highest possible level. Therefore, we would raise such concerns as the following:

a. the Constitution of the Ottawa Theological Hall provides for a Board with a minimum of three members and a maximum of five members. While being sensitive both to the size of the institution and the desire to be reliant on Canadian ordained officers,

nevertheless it is our opinion that the proper functioning of such a board would normally require more than three members.

b. members of the Board are elected by the Board, and are approved by the presbytery. Again, such a provision has in mind the basic control by Canadians. However, the presbytery may want to consider some tighter control by presbytery, such as nomination of Board members by the Board, with election by the presbytery;

c. the brochure advertising the Ottawa Theological Hall states that it is affiliated with the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. In light of the level of control, we think the presbytery will want to give some consideration to the revision of that to affiliation with St. Lawrence Presbytery of the RPCNA.

d. the OTH at present has no library of its own, and is reliant on the personal libraries of faculty, and libraries of other institutions. Certainly OTH should be addressing the matter of a library as soon as possible.

e. some question has been raised relative to the legal relationship between the OTH and the St. Lawrence Presbytery and Synod. Such legal consideration would need to be concerned, although not exclusively so, with liability insurance.

f. cost considerations are a matter of some concern to us. It may be that OTH can operate at a low level of cost and that necessary funds can be obtained without resorting to tuition fees and fund-raising appeals. The committee believes that both the Board and the members of the presbytery will want to give this matter its careful attention.

In addition to these concerns which have been raised, the committee can envision that in the coming months and years many other issues will emerge, and that the presbytery and Synod will have to take appropriate action as these develop. No undertaking of this kind will be without its problems in implementation.

Therefore your committee recommends:

1. That the Synod ask the St. Lawrence Presbytery to address these and other concerns in its report to the Synod of 1983;
2. That the St. Lawrence Presbytery be asked to include a report of the Ottawa Theological Hall annually in its report to Synod, and that such a report will include the annual financial statement;
3. That copies of the "Constitution of Ottawa Theological Hall" be made available for members of Synod in 1983;
4. That Synod support our Canadian brothers in their desire for a national institution of theological training; and

5. That this committee be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,
James D. Carson, Chairman
Walter Swartz
John H. Tweed
Donald W. Felker

The Report of the Committee on Finance was taken up. Items 1-10 were amended and adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee voted to recommend a funding level of $335,000 for Synod's Contributed Budget in 1983. This is an increase of approximately 12% over the budget passed for the current year. This increase is primarily due to the $35,000 for the Director of Youth Ministries as recommended by the Board of Education and Publications and approved by this Synod.

Recommendations:

1. That Synod's Contributed Budget for 1983 be approved as shown in the column "1983 Recommended Grant" on the chart below:

	1982			1983	1983 Recommended
	Request	Granted	Undes. Fds.	Request	Grant
Ed. & Public.	$ 56,589	$ 40,000	$10,000	$ 78,600	$ 76,000
Foreign Miss.	107,770	90,000	28,400	106,390	90,000
Geneva Coll.	30,000	20,000		30,000	22,000
Home Miss.	45,216	30,000	5,000	16,089	10,000
Pension Bd.	39,000	39,000	5,000	53,560	50,000
Seminary	90,750	60,000	15,000	82,825	60,000
Woman's Assn.	15,000	11,000		16,000	12,000
Misc. Fund	12,910	10,000		13,915	15,000
	$397,235	$300,000	$63,400	$397,379	$335,000

2. That the amounts shown in the column "1982 Recommended Grant" on the chart below regarding Undesignated Funds of Synod, be approved:

		1982		
	1981	Granted by 1981 Synod	Requested	Recommended Grant
Ed. & Public.		$10,000	$ 14,850	$ 10,000
Foreign Miss.		28,400		
Geneva College			53,271	43,000
			50% MacLaughlin	
Pension Bd.	$ 14,000	5,000		
Seminary	29,034	5,000	31,115 *	-0-
			20% MacLaughlin	
Woman's Assn.	100,000	15,000	50,000	35,000
Misc. Fund			22,850	7,463
Deficit, Syn. Bud.	24,801		14,350	14,350
St. Lawrence Presbytery***			22,703 ***	-0-
	$167,835	$63,400	$209,139	$109,813

*20% MacLaughlin / $8,412 **20% MacLaughlin
***For Internship and Training for Seminary Graduates within the Denomination.

3. That the 1983 Unallocated denominational Office Expense of $68,685 be approved.

4. That the Audit Report be accepted and included in the Minutes.

5. That the salary of Mr. Louis Hutmire, Denominational Treasurer, be set at $24,000 and his pension assessment of $399.00 be paid as a fringe benefit, and that the salary of Mr. Donald McCrory, Director of Education and Publication of Educational Materials, be set at $20,400, for the year 1983.

6. That the 1981 Treasurer's Report be accepted.

7. That the Travel Fund Assessment be placed at $8.00 per communicant member for 1983.

8. That $500.00 be given in 1982 and again in 1983 from the Miscellaneous Fund as our denominational contribution to N.A.E.

9. That the salary of the Director of Youth Ministries be set at $22,-500.

10. That we recommend to the Japan Commission that they request the Japan Congregations to contribute to Synod's Travel Fund since the Japanese ministers will participate in it by attending

Synod on a rotating basis, and that the N.A. Church is contributing at the rate of $8.00 per communicant member.

Respectfully submitted,
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AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Trustees of the Synod of the
Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America:

We have examined the financial statements and supplemental schedules of the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (the "Trustees") as of December 31, 1981 and 1980 and for the years then ended, listed in the accompanying index. Except as explained in the following paragraph, our examinations were made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The Trustees had not obtained a reasonably comprehensive actuarial report and valuation for Pension Plan "A" prior to January 1, 1981 and, accordingly, we were unable to satisfy ourselves as to the appropriate amounts of pension expense for the year ended December 31, 1980 and of the Plan's fund balances as of December 31, 1980 and January 1, 1980. As described in Note 7 to the financial statements, pension benefits incurred under Plan "A" have been charged to expense and investment income and net gain on investment transactions have been credited to revenue. In our opinion, generally accepted accounting principles require that amounts charged to pension expense be determined in accordance with Opinion No. 8 of the Accounting Principles Board, that pension benefits incurred be charged against the pension fund balance, and that investment income and net gain on investment transactions be credited to the pension fund balance. Use of the actuarially determined costs would have resulted in an increase in pension expense and a decrease in the unrestricted-designated fund balance of approximately $133,000 for the year ended December 31, 1981. The effects of such adjustments on the December 31, 1980 financial statements have not been determined.

In our opinion, except for the effects of (1) such adjustments, if any, as might have been determined to be necessary had a reasonably comprehensive actuarial report and valuation for Pension Plan "A" been obtained for 1980, and (2) not accounting for pension costs in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in 1981 and 1980, such financial statements present fairly the financial position of the Trustees at December 31, 1981 and 1980 and the results of their operations and the changes in their fund balances for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis.

Our examinations were made for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedules listed in the accompanying index are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such supplemental schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the examination of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, except for the effect on the supplemental schedule of support and revenue, expenses, and changes in fund balances of the designated fund and on the supplemental balance sheet of the designated fund of not accounting for pension expense in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles as explained in the second preceding paragraph, are fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Deloitte Haskins + Sells

May 7, 1982

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1981

ASSETS	NOTES	EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING: UNRESTRICTED UNDESIGNATED	EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING: UNRESTRICTED DESIGNATED	EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING: RESTRICTED	PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE FUNDS: ENDOWMENT	NONEXPENDABLE FUNDS: ANNUITY AND LIFE INCOME	NONEXPENDABLE FUNDS: CUSTODIAN	TOTAL FUNDS
Cash (including passbook savings accounts of $1,631 and certificate of deposit of $12,500)		$ 14,054	$(74,146)	$42,660			$ 36,743	$ 37,154	$ 56,465
Accounts and notes receivable			39,624	12,000			122	9,825	61,571
Contributions receivable	1	4,322	45,210						49,532
Accrued investment income receivable			29,461				7,365	9,496	46,322
Deferred student aid receivable	1		97,282						97,282
Inventories	1		37,701						37,701
Investments	1,2	155,930	328,354	12,405		$1,483,307	507,513	714,623	3,202,132
Building loans receivable	3		274,990						274,990
Property and equipment - net	1,4				$96,230				96,230
Other assets	6		45,183						45,183
TOTAL		$174,306	$823,659	$67,065	$96,230	$1,483,307	$551,743	$771,098	$3,967,408
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND FUND BALANCES									
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		$ 18,376	$ 8,270	$ 3			$ 39,755		$ 66,404
Mortgage payable	6		16,522						16,522
Payable to denomination-related organizations	1,5						54,655	$771,098	825,753
Total liabilities		18,376	24,792	3			94,410	771,098	908,679
Deferred restricted amounts	1,5			67,062			457,333		524,395
Fund balances:									
Unrestricted:									
Designated			798,867		$96,230				895,097
Undesignated		155,930							155,930
Restricted						$1,483,307			1,483,307
Total fund balances		155,930	798,867		96,230	1,483,307			2,534,334
TOTAL		$174,306	$823,659	$67,065	$96,230	$1,483,307	$551,743	$771,098	$3,967,408

See notes to financial statements.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1980

		EXPENDABLE FUNDS — OPERATING			PROPERTY	NONEXPENDABLE FUNDS			TOTAL
		UNRESTRICTED			AND EQUIPMENT		ANNUITY AND		
ASSETS	NOTES	UNDESIGNATED	DESIGNATED	RESTRICTED	FUND	ENDOWMENT	LIFE INCOME	CUSTODIAN	FUNDS
Cash (including passbook savings accounts of $6,385 and certificate of deposit of $12,500)		$ 14,460	$(70,427)	$25,649			$ 32,778	$ 35,050	$ 37,510
Accounts and notes receivable		68	35,292	153			1,765	9,112	46,390
Contributions receivable	1	4,103	42,914						47,017
Accrued investment income receivable			34,625				7,990	10,654	53,269
Deferred student aid receivable	1		80,932						80,932
Inventories	1		35,435						35,435
Investments	1,2	133,858	343,752	29,306		$1,340,881	490,122	719,006	3,056,925
Building loans receivable	3		286,796						286,796
Property and equipment - net	1,4				$101,949				101,949
Other assets	6		45,948						45,948
TOTAL		$152,489	$835,267	$55,108	$101,949	$1,340,881	$532,655	$773,822	$3,792,171
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND FUND BALANCES									
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		$ 18,631	$ 5,277				$ 36,044		$ 59,952
Mortgage payable	6		17,014						17,014
Payable to denomination-related organizations	1,5						52,585	$773,822	826,407
Total liabilities		18,631	22,291				88,629	773,822	903,373
Deferred restricted amounts	1,5			$55,108			444,026		499,134
Fund balances:									
Unrestricted:									
Designated			812,976		$101,949				914,925
Undesignated		133,858							133,858
Restricted						$1,340,881			1,340,881
Total fund balances		133,858	812,976		101,949	1,340,881			2,389,664
TOTAL		$152,489	$835,267	$55,108	$101,949	$1,340,881	$532,655	$773,822	$3,792,171

See notes to financial statements.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE, EXPENSES,
CAPITAL ADDITIONS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981

	EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING			PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS
	UNRESTRICTED					
	UNDESIGNATED	DESIGNATED	RESTRICTED			
SUPPORT AND REVENUE:						
Contributions to Synod's budget	$ 24,000	$236,650				$ 260,650
Other contributions	5,000	44,797				49,797
Bequests	99,822	3,472				103,294
Investment income	65,076	174,996	$6,090			246,162
Sales of publications, etc.		41,743				41,743
Tuition, fees and assessments		118,904				118,904
Net gain on investment transactions	79,227	9,773				89,000
Rental income		19,265				19,265
Other income	11	83,486				83,497
Total	273,136	733,086	6,090			1,012,312
EXPENSES:						
Home mission		69,524				69,524
Theological seminary		217,069		$ 9,197		226,266
Foreign mission		194,050				194,050
Education and publication		99,109		538		99,647
Pensions		174,745				174,745
Grants	101,000					101,000
Miscellaneous	24,000	60,285	6,090			90,375
General office and administration	54,130			331		54,461
Total	179,130	814,782	6,090	10,066		1,010,068
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE OVER EXPENSES BEFORE CAPITAL ADDITIONS, ETC.	94,006	(81,696)		(10,066)		2,244
CAPITAL ADDITIONS - Net gain on investment transactions					$ 142,426	142,426
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS:						
From undesignated for designated activities	(71,234)	71,234				
From undesignated and designated for equipment acquisitions	(700)	(3,647)		4,347		
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	133,858	812,976	NIL	101,949	1,340,881	2,389,664
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR	$155,930	$798,867	NIL	$ 96,230	$1,483,307	$2,534,334

See notes to financial statements.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE, EXPENSES, CAPITAL ADDITIONS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1980

	NOTES	EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING			PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS
		UNRESTRICTED					
		UNDESIGNATED	DESIGNATED	RESTRICTED			
SUPPORT AND REVENUE:							
Contributions to Synod's budget		$ 24,000	$238,872				$ 262,872
Other contribution			38,212				38,212
Bequests		830	8,784				9,614
Investment income		54,452	172,029	$14,950			241,431
Sales of publications, etc.			37,626				37,626
Tuition, fees and assessments			108,590				108,590
Net gain on investment transactions			6,138				6,138
Other income		68	68,298				68,366
Total		79,350	678,549	14,950			772,849
EXPENSES:							
Home mission			72,196				72,196
Theological seminary			178,345		$ 8,629		186,974
Foreign mission			138,336				138,336
Education and publication			82,236		772		83,008
Pensions			155,075				155,075
Miscellaneous		24,000	64,210	14,950			103,160
General office and administration		54,452			346		54,798
Total		78,452	690,398	14,950	9,747		793,547
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE OVER EXPENSES BEFORE CAPITAL ADDITIONS, ETC.		898	(11,849)		(9,747)		(20,698)
CAPITAL ADDITIONS - Net gain on investment transactions						$ 34,737	34,737
TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS:							
From undesignated for designated activities		(5,454)	5,454				
From designated for equipment acquisitions			(3,784)		3,784		
From annuity and life income - deferred to undesignated	5	132,960					132,960
FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		5,454	823,155	NIL	107,912	1,306,144	2,242,665
FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR		$133,858	$812,976	NIL	$101,949	$1,340,881	$2,389,664

See notes to financial statements.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE
REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

General - The financial statements of the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (the "Trustees"), a non-profit corporation organized in Pennsylvania, have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Basis of Presentation - The Synod is the highest court in the denomination known as the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. The Trustees hold title to property and are responsible to the Synod for managing and reporting on the financial condition of the denomination. The financial activities are accomplished through various boards and committees of the Synod. Congregations and domestic and foreign missions are sanctioned by the Synod through such boards and seven regional Presbyteries. The accompanying financial statements include the assets, liabilities, fund balances and financial activities of the Trustees and of various boards and committees, including the Theological Seminary.

Although sanctioned by the Synod, domestic congregations and missions and foreign mission fields of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America do not have financial accountability to the Trustees. Accordingly, the assets, liabilities, fund balances and financial activities of such organizations are not included in the accompanying financial statements, although the Trustees hold title to certain assets of active domestic missions and congregations and in foreign mission fields. Further, funds disbursed in support of domestic and foreign mission fields are charged to expense in the accompanying financial statements.

Funds - The accounts of the Trustees are classified for accounting purposes into funds, established according to their nature and purpose. These accounts (or individual funds) have been grouped in the accompanying financial statements in accordance with certain characteristics as explained below.

- Expendable funds - operating, consisting of the following:

  - Undesignated funds, representing expendable unrestricted funds which are available, at the discretion of the Synod, for support of any operations, functions or other matters.

.. Designated funds, representing expendable unrestricted funds which have been designated by the Synod, through the establishment of various boards, for investment and revenue support of a particular purpose or program. Revenues earned from investment of such funds also are designated for use.

.. Restricted funds which have been designated by donors, grantors or other outside parties for support of particular purposes.

. Property and equipment fund, representing the total carrying value of real estate, buildings, library, fixtures and equipment, substantially all of which are designated by the Synod for use as a Theological Seminary.

. Nonexpendable funds, consisting of the following:

.. Endowment funds (including term endowments) that are subject to restrictions of gift instruments or of other means of conveyance requiring in perpetuity, or until the occurrence of some remote event, that the principal be invested and only the income used.

.. Annuity and life income funds that are subject to agreements whereby assets are made available to the Trustees on the condition that the Trustees be bound to pay to the donor or other designated person or organization a stipulated amount or the income earned on fund assets for a period of time specified in the agreements. The balances in such funds are reported as deferred restricted amounts and any excesses of income over required disbursements are generally reported as unrestricted income. Under the terms of certain agreements, denomination related organizations have directed the Trustees to reinvest income earned on fund assets to which they are otherwise entitled to receive. The total amount of such income reinvested is reported as payable to denomination-related organizations.

.. Custodian funds that represent funds received by the Trustees from congregations, Presbyteries and other denomination-related organizations which are invested solely for the benefit of and are returnable upon request to such sources. Such funds are reported as payable to denomination-related organizations.

Expendable Operating Restricted Resources - Operating funds which have been restricted by the donor, grantor or other outside party for particular operating purposes are deemed to be earned and reported as revenues of expendable operating restricted funds to the extent the Trustees have incurred expenditures in compliance with the specific restrictions. Amounts received but not yet earned are reported as deferred restricted amounts.

Property and Equipment - Land, buildings and improvements, and furniture, fixtures and equipment are carried at cost or estimated fair value at date of gift. Proceeds from sale of fixed assets are transferred to expendable operating unrestricted funds. Depreciation is provided over the estimated useful lives of the respective assets on a straight-line basis.

Investments - Investments are recorded at the lower of cost (or fair market value at date of gift) or market. Net realized gain or loss on disposition of investments is the difference between the proceeds received and the average cost of investments sold.

Substantially all investments are pooled and allocation of income (ordinarily income and gains and losses upon sale or other disposition of investments) to the various funds is accomplished using the market value unit method. Substantially all ordinary income from investments of endowment funds is restricted for support of particular purposes. These purposes are usually broad enough to be encompassed within one of the designated boards of the Synod.

Other Matters - Inventories (principally religious publications) are carried at the lower of average cost or market.

Contributions received during early January from congregations and individuals are recorded as receivables when such amounts relate to the prior year's budget. Such contributions are recorded as expendable operating funds, unrestricted.

Advances made to eligible seminary students for payment of tuition or related expenses (deferred student aid receivable) are recorded as a deferred charge and are amortized to expense, usually over a period of five years from the date that the graduate seminarian begins service for the Synod.

2. INVESTMENTS

The market values of investments by fund group are as follows at December 31, 1981 and 1980:

Fund Group	Market Values - December 31 1981	1980
Expendable funds - operating:		
Unrestricted - undesignated	$ 222,099	$ 215,300
Unrestricted - designated	467,693	437,084
Restricted	17,668	27,157
Nonexpendable funds:		
Endowment	2,030,302	2,475,153
Annuity and life income	722,878	722,613
Custodian	1,017,875	904,385
Total	$4,478,515	$4,781,692

Investments at December 31, 1981 are composed of the following:

	Carrying Value	Market Value
U.S. Government obligations	$ 296,137	$ 231,054
Corporate common stocks	1,256,958	2,918,266
Corporate bonds	1,220,523	900,681
General mortgages receivable	234,198	234,198
Investment in real estate	194,316	194,316
Total	$3,202,132	$4,478,515

General mortgages receivable are due over periods from one to twenty years and bear annual interest ranging from 5% to 15%. The aggregate annual amounts of maturities of general mortgages receivable at December 31, 1981 are as follows:

1982	$132,202
1983	11,100
1984	10,792
1985	6,219
1986	6,542
After 1986	67,343
Total	$234,198

The general mortgages receivable at December 31, 1981 are due from the following groups:

Denomination - related organizations	$111,000
Congregations of the denomination	46,437
Ministers of the denomination	57,983
Members of the denomination	16,930
Commercial	1,848
Total	$234,198

The following summarizes the changes in relationships between carrying values and market values of investments for the years ended December 31, 1981 and 1980:

	Carrying Value	Market Value	Unrealized Appreciation 1981	Unrealized Appreciation 1980
December 31, 1981	$3,202,132	$4,478,515	$1,276,383	
December 31, 1980	$3,056,925	$4,781,692	1,724,767	$1,724,767
January 1, 1980	$3,008,395	$4,294,965		1,286,570
Increase (decrease) in unrealized appreciation for the year			(448,384)	438,197
Realized net gain for the year			101,289	62,883
Net increase (decrease) in unrealized appreciation for the year			$ (347,095)	$ 501,080

During the years ended December 31, 1981 and 1980, the average annual yield on investments excluding realized net gains (calculated by dividing total dividends, interest, and net rental income earned on investments during the year by the average of the beginning of the year and end of the year carrying value of investments) was 11.3% and 10.7%, respectively, and the annual total return (calculated by dividing total dividends, interest, net rental income and realized net gains earned on investments during the year by the average of the beginning of the year and end of the year carrying value of investments) was 20.1% and 12.8%, respectively.

3. BUILDING LOANS RECEIVABLE

Substantially all of the building loans receivable at December 31, 1981 and 1980 have been granted by the Building Loan Committee at interest rates ranging from 1% to 13% for the purchase or construction of residences or church buildings. Such loans are generally made to either ministers, employees of the Synod, or congregations. At December 31, 1981 and 1980 the composition of the balances receivable were due from:

	December 31 1981	December 31 1980
Congregations of the denomination	$138,458	$131,869
Ministers of the denomination	115,917	130,764
Employees of the Synod	9,900	10,892
Other	10,715	13,271
Total	$274,990	$286,796

4. PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT

The components of property and equipment at December 31, 1981 and 1980 are as follows:

	December 31	
	1981	1980
Buildings and improvements	$210,203	$210,203
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	24,061	20,979
Total	234,264	231,182
Less accumulated depreciation	138,034	129,233
Property and equipment - net	$ 96,230	$101,949

Depreciation expense for the years ended December 31, 1981 and 1980 totaled $10,066 and $9,747, respectively.

5. CHANGES IN DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND IN PAYABLE TO DENOMINATION-RELATED ORGANIZATIONS

	Expendable Funds Deferred Restricted	Annuity and Life Income Funds Payables	Annuity and Life Income Funds Deferred	Custodian Funds - Payables
Balances at January 1, 1980	$28,559	$51,363	$ 568,932	$748,119
Additions:				
Contributions	35,506			1,984
Investment income	4,847	3,395	44,996	54,009
Net gains on investment transactions	116	1,221	8,046	12,624
Other income	1,148			
Deductions-funds expended	(15,068)	(3,394)	(44,988)	(42,914)
Transfer to unrestricted undesignated			(132,960)	
Balances at December 31, 1980	55,108	52,585	444,026	773,822
Additions:				
Contributions				3,388
Investment income	6,311	3,746	38,288	59,516
Net gains on investment transactions	198	2,088	13,792	28,776
Other income	15,479			
Deductions-funds expended	(10,034)	(3,764)	(38,773)	(52,632)
Withdrawals				(41,772)
Balances at December 31, 1981	$67,062	$54,655	$457,333	$771,098

6. EASTON MISSION PROPERTY

The Trustees hold title to property being used by the Easton Mission. The property was purchased in 1977 for $28,500 and was paid for as follows:

- $10,000 from the Easton Mission, which was loaned to the Mission by the Trustees,
- $18,500 through a third-party mortgage loan, which the Trustees are legally obligated to pay.

The unpaid balance of the $10,000 loan from the Trustees is recorded as a receivable under Building Loans Receivable. The unpaid balance of the mortgage at December 31, 1981 and 1980 of $16,522 and $17,014, respectively, is recorded as mortgage payable and is payable at a rate of approximately $160 per month (including interest at 8-3/4%). As of December 31, 1980 the Easton Mission was closed. The Trustees are in the process of selling the property, the proceeds of which will be applied against the indebtedness.

7. PENSION PLANS

There are two pension plans (Plan "A" and Plan "B") which were adopted effective January 1, 1974 and together cover all ministers, missionaries and employees of the Synod. Reasonably comprehensive actuarial reports and valuations have not been received for Plan "B", or for Plan "A" prior to January 1, 1981. Accordingly, the amounts, if any, of past service cost, vested benefits, "normal" cost and accrued pension fund liability have not been determined for Plan "B", or for Plan "A" prior to 1981. In the case of Plan "B", however, the final determination of such amounts is not expected to have a material effect on the accompanying financial statements.

During 1981 the Trustees obtained a valuation for Plan "A" as of January 1, 1981 which determined the pension costs for 1981, vested benefits and accrued pension fund liability computed on the basis of accepted actuarial methods. The Trustees continue, however, to charge pension benefits to expense as incurred and to credit investment income and net gain on investment transactions to revenue. Generally accepted accounting principles require that pension expense be determined in accordance with Opinion No. 8 of the Accounting Principles Board, that pension benefits incurred be charged against the pension fund balance, and that investment income and net gain on investment transactions be credited to the pension fund balance. Use of the actuarially determined costs for the year ended December 31, 1981 would have resulted in an increase in pension expense and a decrease in the unrestricted-designated fund balance of approximately $133,000. A further description of the two pension plans and the related accounting policies follows:

Plan "A" - Plan "A" is non-contributory and covers basically ministers, missionaries and employees of the Synod who were age 55 and over on January 1, 1974, the date of adoption of the plan. This plan is self-administered and pension benefits, which are charged to pension expense, are substantially all paid from ordinary investment income or from proceeds of sales of certain investments. The accompanying financial statements include the following assets, fund balances and revenue and expense amounts related to Plan "A":

BALANCE SHEET

	Unrestricted designated	Endowment	Total
December 31, 1981			
Cash and receivables	$ (3,045)		$ (3,045)
Investments, at carrying value	181,006	$132,181	313,187
Total assets and fund balances	$177,961	$132,181	$310,142
December 31, 1980			
Cash and receivables	$(10,335)		$(10,335)
Investments, at carrying value	200,460	$126,592	327,052
Total assets and fund balances	$190,125	$126,592	$316,717

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE, ETC.

	Unrestricted designated	Endowment	Total
Year Ended December 31, 1981			
Investment income, etc.	$34,464 *		$34,464
Net gain on investment transactions	$ 5,146	$4,779	$ 9,925
Pensions expense (pension benefits paid)	$99,799		$99,799

Year Ended December 31, 1980			
Investment income, etc.	$32,458 *		$32,458
Net gain on investment transactions	$ 3,430	$2,796	$ 6,226
Pensions expense (pension benefits paid)	$90,116		$90,116

* Includes $14,395 and $13,149 in 1981 and 1980, respectively, earned on endowment fund assets.

As of the January 1, 1981 valuation, the present value of accumulated vested benefits approximated $914,000 and the market value of the net assets available for plan benefits approximated $406,000. A 7% assumed rate of return was used in determining the present value of accumulated vested benefits. There are no non-vested accumulated benefits.

Plan "B"

Plan "B" is contributory and covers substantially all ministers, missionaries and employees of the Synod who are not covered under Plan "A". Total pension expense for the years ended December 31, 1981 and 1980 was $50,332 and $48,196, respectively, which includes amortization of past service cost over an average period of approximately 25 years, and is recorded under unrestricted-designated. The Trustees' policy is to fund pension costs accrued. Plan "B" is administered and the funds are invested by the Pension Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. The estimated amount of vested benefits as of December 31, 1981 is less than the amount of the net assets of Plan "B".

8. CONTINGENT ASSETS

Approximately $570,000 of assets are held in blocked accounts in Cyprus. The assets consist of $143,000 in cash and $427,000 in mortgages receivable. Presently, the government of Cyprus has authorized the Trustees to remove from Cyprus, on an annual basis, 5,000 pounds plus interest earned on the assets. Because of the restrictions imposed on these assets and the uncertainty with regard to their realization, they are not recorded as assets by the Trustees until received. Approximately $15,800 and $17,300 were received in 1981 and 1980, respectively.

9. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Trustees have co-signed a mortgage with the Westminster, Colorado congregation for the purchase of property for that congregation. The unpaid principal balance of the mortgage at December 31, 1981 is approximately $52,100.

On January 1, 1982, the Trustees entered into a credit agreement with the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association to lend up to $750,000 to the Association over the next four years. As part of this agreement,the Trustees have deposited with a bank approximately $237,000 of investments (with a market value at December 31, 1981 of $831,000) as a guarantee of performance.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF THE DESIGNATED FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1981

		Home Mission			Theological Seminary			Seminary Apartment Building	Foreign Missions				Education and Publication			Pensions				Total Designated
	Synod	Board	Southern Mission	Total	Seminary	Seminary Subsidiaries	Student Aid		Total	Board	Board Subsidiaries	Total	Board	Revolving Funds	Total	Plan "A"	Board	Total	Miscellaneous	
Support and revenue:																				
Contributions to Synod's budget	$ 236,650																			$236,650
Contributions to Synod's budget		$ [illegible]		$ 98	$ 34,976	$ 3,175	$ 1,000	$ 50	$ 39,209	$ 4,076		$ 4,076	$ 439		$ 439	$ 975		$ 975		44,797
Other contributions										2,445		2,445								3,472
Bequests		1,027		1,027																
Investment income		37,335	$ 8,957	46,292	17,641		5,311		22,952	63,171		63,171	2,605	$24,886	2,605	28,089		28,089	$ 11,887	174,996
Sales of publications, etc.													13,482		38,368				5,575	41,743
Tuition, fees and assessments					34,156				34,156								$ 63,081	63,081	21,667	118,904
Net gain on investment transactions					3,288		36		3,324	606		606	697		697	5,146		5,146		9,773
Rental income								19,265	19,265											19,265
Other income					7,962	8,827	4,347		21,136	999	$ 15,880	16,879	15,466		15,466	5,400	1,800	7,200	22,805	83,486
Total support and revenue	236,650	38,460	8,957	47,417	98,023	12,002	10,702	19,315	140,042	71,297	15,880	87,177	32,689	24,886	57,575	39,610	64,881	104,491	59,734	733,086
Expenses:																				
Salaries and wages		4,300	8,722	13,022	124,122	7,700			131,822	107,995		107,995	24,885		24,885					277,724
Pensions																99,799	50,332	150,131		150,131
Presbytery aid		44,912		44,912																44,912
Maintenance and supplies					16,313	4,691		3,670	24,674				821		821					25,495
Publications and books					5,297				5,297				21,338	25,219	46,557				5,497	57,351
Travel		5,273		5,273	1,327				1,327	11,105		11,105	2,233		2,233		2,298	2,298	23,460	45,896
Field										41,438		41,438								41,438
Utilities					15,514			1,736	17,270				559		559					17,829
Hospitalization					5,146				5,146	6,288		6,288	2,260		2,260					13,694
Rent													3,405		3,405					3,405
Social Security			580	580	1,868	512			2,380	2,296		2,296	1,704		1,704					4,960
Other board expenses		113		113	4,285				4,285	3,856		3,856	73		73		321	321		8,648
Miscellaneous		1,578	4,046	5,624	3,256	13,500	3,266	4,846	24,868	17,072	4,000	21,072	16,612		16,612	975	21,020	21,995	31,128	121,299
Total expenses		56,176	13,348	69,524	177,128	26,403	3,266	10,252	217,049	190,050	4,000	194,050	73,890	25,219	99,109	100,774	73,971	174,745	60,285	814,782
Excess (Deficiency) of support and revenue over expenses	236,650	(17,716)	(4,391)	(22,107)	(79,105)	(14,401)	7,436	9,063	(77,027)	(118,753)	11,880	(106,873)	(41,201)	(333)	(41,534)	(61,164)	(9,090)	(70,254)	(551)	(81,696)
Transfers between funds or boards, etc.:																				
From Synod's budget	(251,000)	33,000		33,000	65,000				65,000	65,000		65,000	33,000		33,000		43,000	43,000	12,000	
Between boards, etc.					8,569	22	452	(9,043)		33,800	(33,800)					35,000	(35,000)			
From undesignated	24,800				23,661	8,773			32,434							14,000		14,000		71,234
To property and equipment fund					(2,415)				(2,415)				(1,232)		(1,232)					(3,647)
Fund balance at beginning of year	(24,799)	14,367	4,389	[illegible],956	108,800	5,698	78,217		192,715	44,024	38,489	82,513	25,185	29,981	55,166	190,123	(3,426)	186,699	301,726	812,976
Fund balance at end of year	$ (14,247)	$ 29,831	$ (2)	$ 29,849	$124,510	$ 92	$86,105		$210,707	$ 24,071	$ 16,369	$ 40,440	$ 15,752	$29,648	$ 45,400	$177,961	$ (4,316)	$173,645	$313,175	$798,867

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE - BALANCE SHEET OF THE DESIGNATED FUND, DECEMBER 31, 1981

		Home Mission			Theological Seminary			Seminary Apartment Building	Foreign Missions				Education and Publication			Pensions				Total Designated
ASSETS	Synod	Board	Southern Mission	Total	Seminary	Seminary Subsidiaries	Student Aid		Total	Board	Board Subsidiaries	Total	Board	Revolving Funds	Total	Plan "A"	Board	Total	Miscellaneous	
Cash	$ (39,013)	$ 16,336	$ 2,044	$ 18,380	$ 4,964	$ (554)	$(13,060)	$(2,241)	$(10,871)	$(19,612)	$ 569	$ (19,043)	$(21,723)	$(8,053)	$(29,776)	$(15,681)	$(10,309)	$(25,990)	$ 32,167	$(74,146)
Accounts and notes receivable	15,342				4,548	733	580	2,241	8,102	1,233		1,233	5,743		5,743		5,941	5,941	3,263	39,626
Contributions receivable		5,944		5,944	11,707				11,707	11,708		11,708	5,944		5,944	7,745		7,745	2,182	45,210
Accrued investment income receivable		7,571		7,571	4,124		1,061		5,185	11,048		11,048	471		471	4,891		4,891	295	29,461
Deferred student aid receivable							97,282		97,282											97,282
Inventories														37,701	37,701					37,701
Investments					100,091		1,117		101,208	19,932		19,932	26,208		26,208	181,004		181,004		328,154
Building loans receivable																			274,990	274,990
Other assets	12,169										16,000	16,000							17,014	45,183
Total assets	$ (11,502)	$ 29,851	$ 2,044	$ 31,895	$ 125,434	$ 179	$ 87,000		$212,613	$ 24,309	$ 16,569	$ 40,878	$ 16,643	$29,648	$ 46,291	$177,961	$ (4,368)	$173,593	$329,891	$827,659
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES																				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	$ 2,847		$ 2,046	$ 2,046	$ 924	$ 87	$ 895		$ 1,906	$ 238		$ 238	$ 891		$ 891		$ 148	$ 148	$ 194	$ 8,270
Mortgage payable																			16,522	16,522
Total liabilities	2,847		2,046	2,046	924	87	895		1,906	238		238	891		891		148	148	16,716	24,792
Fund balances - unrestricted undesignated	(14,349)	$ 29,851	(2)	29,849	124,510	92	86,105		210,707	24,071	$ 16,369	40,440	15,752	$29,648	45,400	$177,961	(4,516)	173,445	313,175	798,867
Total liabilities and fund balances	$ (11,502)	$ 29,851	$ 2,044	$ 31,895	$ 125,434	$ 179	$ 87,000		$212,613	$ 24,309	$ 16,369	$ 40,878	$ 16,643	$29,648	$ 46,291	$177,961	$ (4,368)	$173,593	$329,891	$827,659

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE - BALANCE SHEET OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,
DECEMBER 31, 1981

	EXPENDABLE FUNDS - OPERATING		PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS
ASSETS	UNRESTRICTED DESIGNATED	RESTRICTED			
Cash	$(10,871)	$12,768			$ 1,897
Accounts and notes receivable	8,102				8,102
Contributions receivable	11,707				11,707
Accrued investment income receivable	5,185				5,185
Deferred student aid receivable	97,282				97,282
Investments	101,208	14,630		$244,241	360,079
Property and equipment - net			$93,606		93,606
TOTAL	$212,613	$27,398	$93,606	$244,241	$577,858
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND FUND BALANCES					
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	$ 1,906				$ 1,906
Deferred restricted amounts		$27,398			27,398
Fund balances:					
Unrestricted - designated	210,707		$93,606		304,313
Restricted				$244,241	244,241
Total	210,707		93,606	244,241	548,584
TOTAL	$212,613	$27,398	$93,606	$244,241	$577,858

NOTE - The assets, liabilities, deferred restricted amounts and fund balances are presented in accordance with the classifications in the Trustees' financial statements.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS

AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1981

COMMON STOCK Number Shares	Securities	COMMON FUND Carrying Value	COMMON FUND Market Value	SMITH FUND Carrying Value	SMITH FUND Market Value
	Utility Group				
2,300	American Tele. & Teleg.	$ 74,992.52	$ 135,125		
200	Cincinnati Gas & Electric			$ 5,001.09	$ 3,150
1,719	Commonwealth Edison Co.	12,122.50	34,165		
1,350	General Tele. & Electronics	41,581.75	43,200		
500	Kansas Power & Light	7,812.50	9,250		
352	Public Service Elect. & Gas	8,096.00	6,336		
1,200	Texas Utilities	22,063.54	23,550		
		166,668.81	251,626	5,001.09	3,150
	Financial Group				
1,939	Chase Manhattan Bank	25,400.00	104,464		
3,284	Continental Corporation	20,736.00	86,616		
769	Fifth Third Bancorp	36,527.50	38,835		
2,000	Pittsburgh National Corp.	8,980.00	54,750		
1,002	Republic Fin. Serv., Inc.	24,298.50	35,572		
		115,942.00	320,237		
	Consumer & Service				
1,568	Amstar	2,872.90	40,572		
1,000	Colgate Palmolive	24,374.86	16,750		
8,000	Dun & Bradstreet, Inc.	6,360.00	504,000		
1,000	General Foods	41,688.95	31,750		
300	Genuine Parts Company	7,500.00	9,375		
2,160	H. J. Heinz Company	3,728.80	60,480		
460	J. C. Penney Company			12,275.41	13,168
400	Marsh & McLennan	10,098.78	13,200		
1,500	Sears Roebuck Company	50,552.11	24,188		
		147,176.40	700,315	12,275.41	13,168

COMMON STOCK Number Shares	Securities	COMMON FUND Carrying Value	COMMON FUND Market Value	SMITH FUND Carrying Value	SMITH FUND Market Value
	Energy Group				
4,576	Exxon Corporation	$ 26,343.17	$ 143,000		
3,355	Gulf Oil Corporation	13,923.25	118,683		
200	Mapco Incorporated	8,800.00	6,075		
1,800	Pennzoil Company	4,725.00	86,400		
1,800	Standard Oil of Indiana	38,219.24	93,600		
1,446	Texaco Incorporated	41,005.46	47,718		
1,400	Union Oil of California	52,850.00	52,675		
		185,866.12	548,151		
	Basic & Industry				
300	Dupont de Nemours	19,699.75	11,175		
2,000	General Electric Company	57,771.75	114,750		
1,000	General Motors Corporation	13,650.00	38,500		
1,100	Intern'l. Tel. & Tel.	52,696.65	32,725		
1,200	Joy Manufacturing	3,680.00	42,000		
400	Phelps Dodge Corporation	5,444.21	13,450		
2,700	T.R.W., Incorporated	30,348.00	147,825		
700	Weyerhaeuser	21,317.89	20,300		
1,950	Witco Chemical	12,415.00	47,288		
		217,023.25	468,013		
	Technology Group				
5,600	Abbott Laboratories	62,669.70	151,200		
200	American Home Products			$ 8,604.04	$ 7,300
300	American Home Products	10,060.35	10,950		
250	Corning Glass Works	22,586.53	12,969		
1,192	Eastman Kodak, Inc.	4,660.72	84,781		
175	Eli Lilly	8,839.98	9,800		
625	Eli Lilly			31,571.44	35,000
1,808	Intern'l. Business Machines	109,779.69	102,831		
300	Minnesota Mining & Manuf.	17,776.45	16,350		
2,000	Smith Kline Corporation	27,946.93	135,250		
300	Warner Lambert Company	9,262.00	6,675		
1,000	Xerox	93,247.75	40,500		
		366,830.10	571,306	40,175.48	42,300

BONDS

Securities Common Fund	Interest Rate	Date of Purchase	Par Value	Maturity Date	Carrying Value	Market Value
American Sugar Company	5.300	10/63	15M	1993	$ 13,381.11	$ 7,688
Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co.	4.375	02/64	20M	1985	17,163.83	15,500
Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co.	5.500	01/77	10M	1997	7,675.00	4,725
Amer. Tel. & Tel. Co.	7.125	01/77	15M	2003	14,587.00	8,100
Bell Telephone of PA	6.750	04/68	5M	2008	5,040.15	2,413
Bethlehem Steel	5.400	01/77	10M	1992	8,400.00	5,013
Burlington Industries	5.000	01/77	10M	1991	8,900.00	7,100
Carolina Power & Light	8.750	02/70	50M	2000	50,875.00	28,438
CashFund					355,905.57	355,905
Conoco, Inc.	7.500	02/70	40M	1999	39,000.00	21,450
Delmarva Power & Light	8.750	02/70	50M	2000	50,375.00	29,250
Duke Power Company	7.000	06/69	25M	1999	23,176.84	12,656
Ford Motor Credit	8.625	01/77	10M	1983	10,500.00	9,213
General Tel. of Florida	8.625	02/70	40M	2000	39,892.00	23,050
Georgia Power	8.625	04/70	50M	2000	48,500.00	28,125
Hawaiian Electric	9.000	01/77	20M	2000	20,800.00	11,875
Household Finance Corp.	8.300	03/76	25M	1986	25,593.75	20,000
Houston Light. & Pwr.	7.500	06/69	10M	1999	10,208.33	5,338
Intern'l. Harvester Co.	4.800	03/66	17.5M	1991	14,278.23	5,359
Marathon Oil Company	8.500	02/70	40M	2000	40,400.00	23,300
Massachusetts Electric	7.625	06/69	10M	1999	9,822.01	5,300
Minnesota Min. & Manuf.	8.200	06/75	25M	1985	25,500.00	20,906
Mobil Corporation	8.500	02/77	25M	2001	25,712.50	15,063
Monongahela Power Co.	5.500	04/66	5M	1996	5,016.94	2,006
Monsanto Company	8.000	07/75	25M	1985	25,379.03	21,125
New York Telephone Co.	7.500	05/69	25M	2009	24,192.88	13,156
Northern States Power	6.125	02/70	50M	1995	40,000.00	25,500
Ohio Edison Company	8.250	10/69	10M	1999	10,231.25	5,150
Pacific Gas & Electric	4.500	01/77	9M	1986	6,986.00	5,985
Pfizer Incorporated	4.000	03/72	25M	1997	26,687.50	27,250
Phila. Electric & Power	4.500	02/70	50M	1994	32,812.50	19,813
Pub. Service of Colorado	5.875	02/70	50M	1997	38,500.00	22,375
So. Calif. Edison Co.	6.375	02/70	40M	1993	34,100.00	22,250
Union Electric Company	8.250	02/70	50M	1999	49,000.00	26,750
Virginia Electric & Power	9.000	05/70	24M	2000	24,060.00	14,040
Wisconsin Elect. & Pwr.	5.000	02/70	50M	1990	36,000.00	28,063
Xerox	6.000	10/70	1M	1995	1,000.00	580

Common Fund (Continued)	Interest Rate	Date of Purchase	Par Value	Maturity Date	Carrying Value	Market Value
U.S. Treasury Notes	8.000	09/76	50M	1986	$ 50,020.00	$ 40,219
U.S. Treasury Notes	7.250	02/77	50M	1984	48,508.00	44,360
U.S. Treasury Notes	8.125	01/77	10M	1982	10,809.00	9,712
U.S. Treasury Bonds	7.500	06/79	210M	1993	186,800.00	136,763
					1,515,789.42	1,130,864
Smith Fund						
CashFund					870.81	871

SUMMARY OF FUNDS:	Pool	Smith	Total
Common Stocks:			
Carrying Value	$1,199,506.68	$57,451.98	$1,256,958.66
Market Value	2,859,648.00	58,618.00	2,918,266.00
Bonds:			
Carrying Value	1,515,789.42	870.81	1,516,660.23
Market Value	1,130,864.00	871.00	1,131,735.00
Totals:			
Carrying Value	2,715,296.10	58,322.79	2,773,618.89
Market Value	$3,990,512.00	$59,489.00	$4,050,001.00

Following the singing of Psalm 138 the Court was recessed in prayer by Paul Finley.

THURSDAY, JUNE 17, 1982, 12:45 P.M.

After the singing of Psalm 98 the Court was reconvened in prayer by David L. Wilson. The Roll was noted. The Minutes were read and adopted.

Robert McFarland addressed the Court in response to his election as Director of Youth Ministries.

The Committee to Report on Paper 82-2 concerning the question of civil disobedience, was instructed to report to the 1983 Synod.

The Report of the Committee on Paper 82-17, concerning the use of nuclear weapons, was taken up, read, amended and adopted. Item 2 was referred to the Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study for implementation. The Report is as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE 153RD SYNOD

We the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America:

1. acknowledging our submission to God and His Word we affirm the Kingship of Jesus Christ over all men and nations
2. acknowledging it is the task of the Church to be a prophetic voice to the world in which we live
3. acknowledging that in a world filled with hatred and violence, the Church is called to the role of peacemaker
4. acknowledging that our failure to declare the whole counsel of God has contributed to the threat of nuclear war
5. acknowledging that the proliferation and possible use of nuclear arms is a demonstration not only of man's contempt of man but of man's contempt of God and His creation
6. acknowledging that murder is forbidden by God and that the use of nuclear arms involves the massive, indiscriminate killing of human beings
7. acknowledging that the nations that forget God shall surely come to death

We call upon all men and nations to repent of their arrogance and independence of God, to trust in Him that they might do that which is honoring to Him and be blessed by Him.

We call upon you:

a. to acknowledge your position as a servant of God, called to do justice, to protect human life and;
b. to do all in your power to work to eliminate the use of all nuclear weapons by all nations.

Recommendations:

1. That this resolution be made known to the President of the United States, the Secretary General of the United Nations, and Mr. Breznev.
2. That a delegate be appointed to represent the RPCNA at the NAE sponsored conference on "Peace in the Nuclear Age" from May 25-28, 1983 and that he make known this resolution to the conference.

Robert LaMay
Surrendra Gangadean
Ronald H. Stegall
Bruce Hemphill
Roy Blackwood

The following dissent was registered. "We wish to enter our dissent to paragraph #6 of the resolution on Nuclear War." Signed, Raymond P. Joseph; Kenneth A. McBurney, Garland Kincaid, James Hughs, Glenn George.

RESOLUTION OF THE 153RD SYNOD

Whereas, every human life is created in the image of God and therefore has infinite value, and

Whereas, we believe the Scripture declares that human life begins at conception, and

Whereas, the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America has declared through its Testimony that:

> Unborn children are living creatures in the image of God. From the moment of conception to birth they are objects of God's providence as they are being prepared by Him for the responsibilities and privileges of post-natal life. Unborn children are to be treated as human persons in all decisions and actions involving them. Deliberately induced abortion, except possibly to save the mother's life, is murder, and

Whereas, our nation to this very hour continues to allow the wanton murder of over 1-1½ million unborn human lives every year, and

Whereas, we are seeing an increase in the purposeful murder of children already born;

We call upon our nation to repent of this evil, to turn to God and seek His forgiveness and to restore the sanctity of human life in America.

We declare our affirmation of the sacredness of every human life and further,

We declare our commitment to do our part to educate our nation concerning the sacredness of life, and further,

We declare our desire to see both federal and state governments enact legislation which will protect human life at every stage of development.

In particular:

We support, on the federal level, the Helms Human Life Statue S. 2148 and the Human Life Amendment, and

We support and encourage alternatives to abortion.

We encourage all our members to do whatever they can to promote the Biblical standards of the sacredness of human life, created by God, and, with the compassionate love of Christ, to meet the physical, social and spiritual needs of women who find themselves with a crisis pregnancy.

The Clerk and Moderator were instructed to communicate this to the President of the United States and Senator Helms; each delegate is to encourage his congregation to communicate with their appropriate civil rulers. Robert Tweed reported on the response of civil rulers to last years correspondence on the same issue. The Report is found in the Appendix to the Minutes. The Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study was instructed to communicate this action on abortion to the other NAPARC General Assemblies and Synods.

The Report of the Committee of Presbytery Representatives and Seminary Faculty to Discuss the Procedures for Licensure was taken up. Items 1-5 and the body of the Report related to them were referred to the Committee to report to the 1983 Synod. Item 6 was adopted. The item and the part of the paper relevant to it is as follows:

REPORT OF MEETING OF PRESBYTERY REPRESENTATIVES AND SEMINARY FACULTY

Paper 82-3 was assigned to this committee. The paper concerned Presbytery's care for theological students. In this connection the St. Lawrence Presbytery requested that this Committee recommend to Synod that the Presbytery be able to forgive George Huber's Seminary loan at the rate of 20% per year for each year that he serves as an elder.

It was voted that St. Lawrence Presbytery be commended for their care of students and that we commend them as an example to other Presbyteries.

It was also voted that the Seminary forgive 50% of his loan and that St. Lawrence Presbytery assume 50% of his loan in recognition of his service to the Presbytery.

Recommendation:

6. That Synod approve the action of our Committee regarding paper 82-3.

The Report of the Committee on Travel Fund and Absences was taken up. Items 1-5 were adopted. The Synod rose and applauded in appreciation for the work of Miss Judy Linhart and Mr. Louis D. Hutmire as recommended in item 6. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAVEL FUND AND ABSENCES

Your committee reports that the 1982 Synod Travel Fund expenses totaled $25,557.51. 100 delegates participated in the Travel Fund this year. This is an increase of $1,778.31 and 5 delegates from last year. The average cost per delegate this year was $255.58. The average cost per delegate last year was $250.31.

Excused absences from sessions of Synod are indicated by an "E" on Synod's attendance roster.

Recommendations:

1. That the 1983 Synod Travel Allowance:
   a. be determined for those travelling by air on the basis of air coach fare plus ground transportation to and from airports.
   b. be determined for those driving a car on the basis of 17¢ per mile, plus tolls.
   c. an additional 3¢ per mile be paid for each additional delegate travelling in a car pool.
   d. reimburse round trip bus or train fare for those delegates using this mode of transportation.
2. That those who know themselves to be delegates to the 1983 Synod be urged to make plane reservations as early as possible, in order to secure the lowest possible fares.
3. That the congregational travel assessment for the 1983 Synod be set by the Finance Committee.

4. That one of the national pastors from Japan be included in Synod's Travel Fund each year on a rotating basis to be determined by the Japan Commission.
5. That the delegates be paid by check.
6. That Synod thank Miss Judy Linhart and Mr. Louis Hutmire for their help.

Respectfully submitted,
Samuel B. Sterrett
Stephen C. Conte

The following special resolution by virtue of a two-thirds vote was heard. Mr. Leroy Oliver of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church addressed the Court in relation to the matter of the resolution. The resolution was amended, adopted, and is as follows:

Because of our historic commitment to seek and pray for the visible oneness of the church on the basis of scriptural truth, be it resolved that (a.) the Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study be directed to initiate and continue conversations with the corresponding committee of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church, (b.) and that the Committee seek some immediate means short of organic union whereby we can express our unity.

The Minutes were read, amended and adopted.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by James Hughes. After the singing of Psalm 133 the Moderator pronounced the Benediction. The Synod is called to meet at Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, on June 25, 1983, at 7:30 p.m. local time.

Appendix

In Memoriam: S. RAY BLAIR

Samuel Ray Blair, son of Wylie R. and Louella Hindman Blair, was born on October 21, 1930, in Porter Township, Clarion County, Pa. He was one of a family of nine children.

He was baptized by Dr. R. K. Atchison and entered into the communicant membership of the Associate Presbyterian Church, Rimersburg, Pa., under his ministry. It was also under Dr. Atchison that he received his seminary training in Rimersburg.

He graduated from Porter Township High School in 1948, attended Clarion State College and graduated from Geneva College in 1952 with a bachelor of arts degree. In 1954 he graduated from the Associate Presbyterian Seminary. He earned a master's degree in 1959 and an education specialists degree in 1971 with a major in counseling, both from the University of Iowa.

Following his graduation from seminary Rev. Blair moved to Corydon, Iowa. Having been under the care of the Clarion Presbytery as a student of theology for three years, he was transferred to the Iowa Presbytery and licensed to preach the gospel on May 20, 1954. He then spent the summer of 1954 working at the Arkansas Mission of the Associate Presbyterian Church. On August 4, 1954 he was ordained to the gospel ministry, as a home missionary of Iowa Presbytery, working in Wayne County. He continued to minister in this capacity until 1957, during which time he ministered to three churches in the vicinity; Harvard, Bethel and Woodland.

On May 28, 1956, Rev. Blair was united in marriage to Cara Sinclair at the Associate Presbyterian Church in Washington, Iowa. The Lord blessed this union with the birth of three daughters: Dorinda Rae, Heather Elaine, and Alorah Jeannette. He is survived by his wife and three daughters.

In the spring of 1957 Rev. Blair was called by the Washington congregation to be their pastor. On June 16, 1957, he was installed as pastor of the congregation, to which he ministered until Dec. 1, 1978, a ministry covering a period of over twenty-one years. During these years the Lord richly blessed this ministry that far exceeded the bounds of the Washington congregation.

A moving tribute appeared in the **Washington Journal** to Pastor Blair, and was reprinted in the **Covenanter Witness** of March 1982.

Mr. George A. Moore, a member of the Washington congregation, writes:

"Ray was a resident, minister and friend of this community for over twenty years.

His stature was large, but not nearly as large as the heart of this loving man.

He was giving, willing and able to do whatever he set about to do.

The energy he radiated would light a thousand worlds.

His compassion would mend as many broken hearts.

The goals and limits for which he strove were not attainable by most men.

But Ray was not "most men." He had the determination and perseverance to reach that unreachable star.

He walked among men, not above them; and they loved him for it.

We will miss you, Ray, but your memory will live in our hearts until we meet again."

He served as guidance director from 1964-1974 in the Columbus Community Schools, Columbus Junction, Iowa. He was president of the S.E. Iowa Personnel and Guidance Association, a member of the Statutory Convention of the Republican Party, and also served in other special causes and projects.

Pastor Blair accepted the call of the Rose Point Reformed Presbyterian Church, New Castle, Pa., and was installed as their pastor on April 6, 1979. He ministered to them until the time of his death on December 18, 1981, at the age of 51 years, when after a series of heart attacks, he passed on to his heavenly home. Although this portion of his ministry was relatively brief, he became well known in the community, had a radio ministry, and a weekly Bible study that was attended by persons from a considerable distance and from different denominations. The Lord was richly blessing this ministry at the time of his death.

The Rose Point Session, in the March 1982 issue of the **Covenanter Witness**, expressed its appreciation for the ministry of Pastor Blair in the following words:

"This energetic and seemingly tireless worker brought glory to the name of God in this congregation and in this community. His effectiveness as a pastor and preacher of the gospel led some adherents and some bystanders to listen to the Holy Spirit and become active members of the Church. His great energy to contact and his ability to favorably impress community residents outside the Reformed Presbyterian Church enabled him to establish and lead a weekly community Bible Study Hour.

> His work in the Presbytery and the Synod can be affirmed by many of his peers.
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> . . . We have lost a beloved friend, a teacher and a counselor, but we rejoice in the knowledge borne in faith of the Word that Ray is with Christ in Paradise eternally.

He served as the editor of the Associate Presbyterian Magazine from 1955-1960. A number of his sermons and articles may be found in this publication. He served his Lord in the Associate Presbyterian Church in nearly every capacity available, including as moderator and clerk of the Synod and on various boards and committees. In 1964 he was the fraternal delegate to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. He played a significant role in the eventual union of the Associate Presbyterian Church and the RPCNA on June 7, 1969, which now bears the name of the latter denomination.

In the RPCNA he served the Synod on the Home Mission Board, Pension Trustees, the Testimony Committee, and on other committees. His ministry was also distinguished by his work as a member of the Iowa and Pittsburgh presbyteries on various committees and commissions. At the time of his death he was the moderator of Pittsburgh Presbytery.

Rev. Blair was an energetic and tireless worker in the Lord's vineyard. He brought glory to the name of God as a faithful man of God, husband, father, pastor, an able expositor of the Word, and Bible teacher.

Early in his ministry he wrote in the Associate Presbyterian: "God abides in the heart of the believer. There is planted the incorruptible seed which cannot be destroyed. The believer's faith overcomes the world. It fails not for it knows that one with God is a majority. The believer rejoices in life having the sure knowledge and security, 'He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.' " (Vol. 96, No. 4, p. 14). And so it was that Ray lived and died. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his godly ones." (Psalm 116:15).

In Memoriam: CARL T. "TED" GRAYSON

Although Carl T. "Ted" Grayson was not widely known in the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, he was dearly loved by all who have had the privilege of knowing him during the past nine years. His love for Christ and God's Kingdom was always evident and his counsel in Presbytery was valued highly. His services in the Hot Springs, Greeley and Westminster churches will not soon be forgotten, especially his participation in the dedication of the Westminster Church building Nov. 28, 1975. Our loss is Heaven's gain.

"Ted" was born Nov. 24, 1909, at Chidester, Ark. He served as a glider pilot overseas during World War II and for some years was in business as a hotel manager until he was converted through reading a Gideon Bible in the hotel. Later the Lord called him into the gospel ministry which led him into a wide area of ministry. He served on the faculty of at least two Bible colleges as well as in pastorates in the Bible Presbyterian Church, the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Evangelical Synod, and the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

Through conviction he united with the Covenanter Church on Aug. 10, 1973, and was appointed Stated Supply at Hot Springs where he served well until ill health required him to resign in 1976, but he continued a member of Midwest Presbytery until the time of his death.

Serious heart problems led to open-heart surgery about five years ago and have necessitated his living in a warm, dry climate. For the last five years he was "retired" at Las Cruces, N.M. However, in retirement he was active in the Christian Motocycle Oldtimers Club and rode his fine motocycle almost daily. He preached regularly as he had opportunity. At the time of his death he was conducting a weekly neighborhood Bible study in his home with some 35 in attendance. He also had a weekly Bible class at Munson Senior Center. He was serving as associate pastor of a new mission church (RPCES) in Las Cruces. He conducted a weekly radio program each Sabbath morning, as "The Minister of Grace."

On Tuesday prior to his death he felt a hoarseness in his throat and so prepared his message on tape for the following Sabbath lest his voice might get worse. That night he was rushed to the hospital, but his heart did not respond to treatment and he died early Thursday morning March 11, 1982.

Memorial services were held Sabbath afternoon, March 14, in the University Presbyterian Church (RPCES) with Don Meidigk, pastor of the Providence Presbyterian Church (RPCES), bringing the message. Raymond Hemphill also participated in the service as representative of our Church and Presbytery.

He and Mrs. Hemphill experienced the lovely hospitality of the home and family at the invitation of Mrs. Grayson. Many of us at the memorial service had heard and appreciated "Ted's" last radio message broadcast just a few hours before his funeral. He had preached on Luke 24:45, "He opened their minds to understand the Sriptures," and concluded with a strong appeal for people to give attention to the Word of God, to pray for the Holy Spirit to open their minds to understand and to respond to the Gospel and be led to salvation through Jesus Christ. The radio announcer then said, "This station regretfully announces the passing of Ted Grayson. He will be sorely missed."

He is survived by his lovely wife, Eloise, and a sister-in-law, Delia Childs, who remain at their home at 1525 Camino del Rex, Las Cruces, N.M.

We are reminded of the words concerning David, " . . . after he had served the purpose of God in his own generation, fell asleep . . . " Acts 13:36.

In Memoriam: FREDERICK FRANCIS READE, D.D.

Frederick Francis Reade was born December 4, 1882, in Southburgh, Norfolk, England, the second of six children of carriage-builder Francis Henry Read and his wife Sarah Ann Hensey. The family came to Montreal, Quebec, Canada, in 1888 and moved to Cambridge, Massachusetts in 1891.

Baptized in the Cranworth Primitive Methodist Church, Norfolk, England in 1883, he joined the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church in Cambridge, Massachusetts in 1895, at the age of 12. He began attending the Cambridge Reformed Presbyterian Church with friends in his teens and united with the church in 1903.

He was employed by the Hood Rubber Company of Watertown, Massachusetts from 1899 until entering Geneva College in 1905. His Junior year was taken at Harvard University, then he returned to Geneva to finish his degree in 1909. He was an Intercollegiate Debator and manager of the Varsity Basketball team. He was graduated from the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary in 1912. New York Presbytery licensed him to preach the gospel in May, 1911 at Brooklyn, New York. He was ordained to the Gospel Ministry and installed pastor of the Greeley, Colorado congregation by Colorado Presbytery on September 3, 1912. He served in the following pastorates: Greeley, Colorado, 1912-14; Second New York (Associate Pastor), 1914-15; Cincinnati, Ohio, 1915-1920; Youngstown, Ohio, 1921-26; Winnepeg, Manitoba, Canada, 1926-39; Boston, Massachusetts, 1939-53; Almonte, Ontario, Canada, 1953-62. He retired in October, 1962 after 50 years in the pastorate.

During his pastorate in Boston, he was recording secretary of the Lord's Day League of New England for several years and held the chair of English at Curry College for four years. In Winnepeg he directed a boy's club as an outreach of the church. In Almonte he served as a member of the Public Library Board, was on the Boy Scout Committee, was Vice-President of the Almonte and District Bible Society, and was active in the Senior Citizens organization. He served as chairman of Synod's Bible reading committee 1927-33 and 1948-60. In 1959 Geneva College conferred on him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. In 1960 he was elected moderator of Synod at its meeting in Sterling, Kansas.

Dr. Reade enjoyed poetry, literature, singing, playing the harmonica, and sports. He played summercamp softball into his sixties, played excellent croquet, and was still swatting at badminton birdies with his grandchildren when past 85. When he was past 90 the head nurse of the retirement home where he lived in Edmonton, Alberta, held a seminar on aging. She took him to the seminar in his wheel chair as an example of an aged person who was still alert, interested in life, still demonstrating a sense of humor, and able to enjoy singing and playing his harmonica. He especially loved to sing the Psalms and quote Bible verses through his last few years. He attended the Synod of 1976 when he was 93. Dr. Reade passed away at the age of 98 on Sabbath afternoon, July 5, 1981, in Edmonton, Alberta.

On June 12, 1912, he married Mabel Pearl Shay of Woburn, Massachusetts, ending a 13-year courtship with a 57-year marriage. She died January 16, 1970. Three daughters survive him: Ruth, retired missionary, Nicosia, Cyprus; Lois, widow of Thomas A. Boal, Edmonton, Alberta; and Esther, wife of Rev. Thomas J. Wilson, New Concord, Ohio. There are also seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

REPORT OF THE NAE CONVENTION

The 1982 Synod did not appoint a representative to the NAE Board of Administration nor did it appoint a delegate to the 1982 NAE Convention. These were evidently oversights, so as I have been doing for 25 years, I attended the convention held March 3-5 in Chicago. I bring this brief account so that the Synod will not forget its commitment to the NAE and remember how we may contribute to as well as benefit from the broader evangelical movement.

"Save the Family" was the theme of the convention, as the deteriorating condition of the family was addressed and measures proposed to bolster this fundamental institution of society. Thirty-five messages on the family were presented, along with eighteen other messages on related Christian themes. From the business sessions came resolutions on "Save the Family," "Oppressed Peoples," "Threat of Nuclear Holocaust," and "Drunken Driving."

Tuesday was devoted largely to pastors, their needs and encouragements. Wednesday and Thursday were taken up with workshops, business sessions, luncheon programs and climaxed by a banquet Thursday evening. Main speakers included Harold Ockenga, Allan Peterson, Carl Lundquist, William Brownson, Elizabeth Elliott, Elizabeth Dole, James Dobson and Charles Swindoll.

A hand-picked team of committed Christians was commissioned as a special blue-ribbon task force on the family, to insure that the concerns and desires of all evangelicals regarding the family will be heard long after the convention is over. Mrs. Evelyn Felker of our church was named to this task force.

The inspiration and encouragement from such a convention is something we wish could be experienced by all of our members. Fresh ideas and enthusiasm from Christian brethren outside of our denominational ranks is very valuable and usable to us if we will allow ourselves to be exposed. And our contribution to this organization is not to be minimized. We have four members on the Board of Administration: Martha Edgar, Howard Elliott, Robert Henning, and Jack White. Jack White will have an important position next year as he becomes the Convention Coordinator for the convention to be held in Orlando, Florida. Kermit Edgar and Robert Morrow were also in attendance.

While we belong to the NAE as a denomination, congregations and individuals may become members. We would urge our congregations to officially become members so that they may be in closer touch with the evangelical movement and may provide support for a greater impact of Christians upon our society and government. And we believe it will broaden your view and increase your spiritual enthusiasm to attend such meetings as they are held nationally and by many state organizations.

Respectfully submitted,
D. Howard Elliott

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

I am thankful for this opportunity to report to the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. We are thankful for the support which we receive from the congregations and members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

I am glad to be able to report that in spite of increasing costs we were able to close our books on Sept. 30, 1981 with a small balance. In 1982 our expenses continue to increase. We have increased costs in utilities and postage rates. We have also been informed that we will no longer be exempt from the state sales tax.

Eleven members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church serve on our board of directors. William Long of the West Lafayette Congregation was the speaker at our annual dinner. He told of the working of State Governments and how Christians can use their influence in governments.

We continue to publish the **Christian Statesman**, and though it does not have a large circulation, it is a witness for the righteousness which exalts nations. There is much which needs to be done and we are thankful for other voices which are being raised for the cause of righteousness in our Nation.

Some people see no need for an organization like the National Reform Association. If the Christian Church were presenting a united front to the world, and were speaking with a united voice there might not be a need for such organizations. We know that the church does not present a united front, she is divided into many denominations which have their own programs. The church does not speak with a united voice insisting that Christ is the Lord of the whole of life. There are those in the church who tell us that Christ is limited to Lord only of the church and the rest of life is secular.

If a missionary went to a foreign country and found that the people were starving, that there were no schools and no doctors they would see the need for being concerned with social necessities. Many fail to see the need of Christians being concerned with the social needs of our country. We must always labor to keep our society healthy. If it is not healthy it cannot continue to minister to the needs of its people. We are living in a fool's paradise if we imagine that because we have a healthy society it will always continue to be healthy. There are many symptoms which tell us that our society is sick. Some of these are: the crime in our streets, the deterioration of our homes, runaway inflation, high interest rates, business failures, joblessness, and hovering over all is the possibility that wars will get out of hand and we face the possibility of a nuclear war. We cannot continue to disregard the claims of God on our nation and treat His commands as though they were irrelevant to our times without bringing fearful judgments upon our nation. We must remember that only the nations whose God is the Lord are blessed.

The National Reform Association seeks to be an organization through which Christians of all denominations can work together. The times in which we live present an excellent climate for presenting our message. It is evident that if we do not seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, we are not going to find the solutions of our problems.

The National Reform Association is in the process of securing a new Administrative Secretary. I have served in this capacity for almost nine years. We hope the new secretary will bring fresh ideas and that under the leadership of the Holy Spirit the work of the National Reform Association will go forward to the Glory of God and the advancement of His purposes upon the earth.

The following is a summary of last year's treasurer's report:

Balance Nov. 1, 1980		$1,197.17
Income		
Contributions—Individuals	$4,982.50	
Contributions—Churches	4,042.05	
Interest on Investments	1,884.27	
National Temperance Society	1,700.00	
Miscellaneous	649.03	13,257.85
		14,455.02
Disbursements		
Salary	$2,258.31	
Rent	2,135.00	
Utilities	1,430.28	
Postage	941.32	
Printing Statesman	3,775.00	
Riegers Mailing Service	1,185.06	
Printing Brochure	438.88	
Taxes	416.55	
Miscellaneous	895.46	13,475.86
Balance Sept. 30, 1981		$ 979.16

Respectfully submitted,
R. W. Caskey,
Administrative Secretary

REPORT OF THE REFORMATION TRANSLATION FELLOWSHIP

The R.T.F. has had a good year. We greatly appreciate the action of Synod last year in making Charles Chao a missionary of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, under the Foreign Mission Board, with salary and 1/2 pension qualification provided, and with assignment to literature work on loan to the R.T.F.

The **Reformed Faith and Life** quarterly magazine has been continued with great acceptance. Mr. Chao has continued to teach a course in the China Evangelical Seminary extension program. J. G. Vos' **Commentary on Romans** and Calvin's **Devotions and Prayers** have been published. The British R.T.F. has been paying for the printing of the **RF & L** magazine, and we now ask them, and others who submit MSS for publication, to add 10% to the printing costs, so as to share with us, in overhead expenses.

General Fund contributions in 1981 came to over $33,000, and to the Deficit Fund $6425. Mr. Chao's children have undertaken to retire this Fund over the next three years (back salary owed to Mr. Chao, of $14,800). The balance due is now about $7500.

We record the death of Egbert Andrews, emeritus Board member. Mr. Andrews was born of missionary parents in China in 1910. After graduating from Westminster Theological Seminary he went to China in student work, and in 1948, in Shanghai, he aided the Chao family in their flight from Manchuria to Canton where Mr. Chao joined Sam Boyle in starting the work of the R.T.F. Mr. Andrews spent 44 years of his life in China and Taiwan. We express to his widow our appreciation for his ministry on the Board of the R.T.F. for many years.

Reports of opening doors for Christian witness in mainland China, and of relaxing of controls can be very misleading. First, the reports are often based on very incomplete and sketchy information, from those who have made a brief visit to the mainland, and second, there is a lack of uniformity of treatment of Christians in different areas of the country, especially between rural and metropolitan areas. Mr. Chao's son, Jonathan, and the China Christian Church Research Center, in Hong Kong, publishes, six times a year, **China and the Church Today**. They have grass roots contacts all over China and can report on the officially registered church activity, on the "house churches," which term the TSM (Three Self Movement), which "claims to speak for all Christians in China," (China and the Church Today, 4.1.1982), would like to eliminate, as well as on Roman Catholic Church activity. They also publish the monthly "China Prayer Letter," sent free on request to the Christian Evangelism Commission, 1470 N. 43rd St., San Jose, CA 95112.

Recommendations:

1. That our churches and members be encouraged to support the R.T.F.
2. That prayer be made that God would open doors in mainland China, and that capable, committed translators may be raised up.
3. That Charles Chao be heard by Synod.

VISION FOR THE WORK OF THE ASSIGNMENT OF DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRIES

OUTLINE OF MATERIAL:

a. Objectives—The long range changes desired
b. Goals—Intermediate steps in reaching the objectives
c. Methods—Immediate programs to be initiated to reach the objective

OBJECTIVES:

a. Strengthening the hand of covenant parents, as they seek to train and develop their covenant children in the nurture and fear of the Lord.

b. Encouraging local congregations through their session or c.e. committee in the use of creative, biblical and reformed teaching programs.
c. Assisting presbytery and synod level in their development of Christian education programs (particularly youth training and conferences).
d. Locate and prepare systematic reformed Christian curriculum materials for evaluation and use by the local congregations.

GOALS:

a. Seek out regular personal contact with the local Christian education programs, assisting them in evaluation and planning.
b. Gather information on the most effective methods of covenant training of children, in order to assist parents in their task.
c. To assist at least one presbytery each year in the implementation of a youth training program, along with organization of short term ministry.
d. Serve as resource person for congregations, presbytery and national officers as they plan family or youth conferences or conferettes.
e. Make available a listing of available reformed Christian education materials, and publishing additional materials where possible.

METHODS:

a. Personally visit each congregation and extension work every three years. (Plan to visit one third each year.)
b. Develop and offer to the local congregation a tool for evaluating their present Christian program, and curriculum co-ordination.
c. Develop and offer to local congregations a seminar on Christian education including the covenant home training, and other C.E. programs.
d. Co-ordinate one annual meeting of the Presbytery Youth Secretaries to keep aware of the needs and trends, and to suggest programs.
e. Plan some type of youth training and short term ministry to be available to interested youth every summer where possible.
f. Co-ordinate curriculum materials where available, and prepare materials for informal groups such as "Juniors" and "Youth" meetings.
g. Participate in Christian education seminars on a regular basis, thus receiving training, and awareness of the trends in this field.

A SUMMARY OF RECENT ACTIONS REGARDING THE OFFICE OF DEACON FROM SYNODICAL ACTION REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN SYNODS, 1964-1980

CHURCH GOVERNMENT, chap. III, para. 3, 4, 13

3. A fully organized congregation is made up of a group of members, a session of ruling elders associated with a pastor for the spiritual oversight of the congregation, and a board of deacons chiefly responsible for the ministry of mercy and the finances and property of the congregation. **The pastor is a member of presbytery and not of the congregation.** Presbyteries are directed to exercise due care and diligence to see that both sessions and boards of deacons are duly chosen, ordained and established in every congregation under their care. All officers shall be chosen by vote of the congregation from its membership, and every member in good standing shall have an equal voice in such choice.

4. In many states or provinces, congregations are required to have a Board of Trustees, in whom the title to the church property is vested, and who represent the congregation in all legal matters. The Board shall be elected from the membership of the congregation and shall have no duties beyond those necessary to fulfill the legal requirements. For efficiency in handling its affairs, the membership and officers of the Board of Trustees may be identical with those of the Board of Deacons.

13. The congregation shall elect its own chairman, vice-chairman and secretary. The treasurer should be elected by the Board of Deacons, ordinarily from its own membership. The congregational meetings shall be governed according to the common rules as applied in ecclesiastical assemblies. All proceedings shall be recorded in the minutes. Unless otherwise specified in the charter, one fourth of the resident membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of ordinary business, but no business vitally affecting the welfare of the congregation should be transacted without the presence of at least one half the resident membership. Meetings for the election of a pastor, or of elders and deacons shall be held under the supervision of the session in constituted court and presided over by its moderator.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT, chap. IV, para. 3

3 .The permanent officers to be set apart by ordination are elders and deacons. The elders exercise the spiritual authority. They are distinguished as teaching elders, commonly called ministers, and ruling elders. Both are presbyters with an voice in the government of the church. The Diaconate is a spiritual office subordinate to the session. The deacons have responsibility for the ministry of mercy, the

finances and property of the congregation, and such other tasks as are properly assigned to them. Other officers mentioned in the New Testament were commissioned with special powers during the apostolic age for the establishment of the Church.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT, chap. V, para. 12-16

Deacons

12. Deacons shall be chosen by the congregation from its members who are in good standing and possess the qualifications which fit them for the office. They should be persons of discretion and ability, endued with the Spirit of God, and examples in the grace of liberality.

13. The deacons of a congregation shall organize as a board, choosing a president and secretary.

Meetings of the board of deacons shall be opened and closed with prayer.

14. The duties of the Board of Deacons include:

a) Maintaining an active ministry of mercy. There should be a mercy fund for the relief of needy persons, both within the congregation and outside of it, both Christian and nonChristian. The Mercy Fund may be supplied by voluntary gifts above the regular offering and may be kept in a separate account.

b) Handling the finances of the congregation. The deacons receive the offering and other income and keep an accurate record of all contributions. The deacons have the responsibility to see that the financial obligations of the congregation are met. They shall make a periodic financial report to the congregation. They should bring the names of those who are failing in their stewardship to the attention of the session. After consultation with the session, the deacons should propose a budget to the congregation that provides for the needs and responsibilities of the congregation including adequate salaries for the pastor and other employees. They should make the congregation aware of and encourage giving to the other obligations of the Church as reflected in the budgets of Presbytery and Synod and encourage the congregation to give to these needs.

c) Maintaining the property of the congregation and handling any endowments. The Deacon Board should meet periodically with the Session to seek advice on matters of mutual concern. In matters that involve large financial outlay, the Board shall first obtain authority from the congregation.

d) Carrying out such other tasks that relate to the Ministry of Mercy as the Session may assign to them. In congregations without deacons, the duties of the diaconate should be assumed by the Session or a committee appointed by the Session.

15. The session decides when an election of deacons shall be held and the number to be chosen. The board of deacons may request the session for an increase of its members, or the congregation may petition the session for such an election. Deacons may be elected for a limited term of service as provided in Chapter five, section eleven, page 244, for elders. The manner of election, examination, ordination, and installation of deacons shall be identical with that of ruling elders. An election of both elders and deacons may be held at the same time. A deacon who has been advanced to the eldership must be ordained to that office. Both men and women are eligible for the office of deacon.

16. Deacons may resign their office, or be deposed for cause. The session has jurisdiction in either case. The effect of certification of membership of deacons is the same as in the case of elders; they do not forfeit their ordination, but lose active exercise of the office. The board of deacons has no legislative or judicial powers; its work is wholly administrative, and is, in general, subject to the direction of the session or of the congregation.

1974 MINUTES OF SYNOD, pp. 121, 122

FOOTNOTES TO THE REVISIONS ON THE DIACONATE

1) The superior office subsumes the functions of the inferior. In case there are no persons who meet the scriptural qualifications of the diaconate, the elders have the responsibility to carry out the functions of the diaconate. See Acts 6.

2) It is scripturally indefensible to have nonordained persons in positions of this kind of authority in the Church.

3) Because the Deacons have the responsibility for finances, the treasurer must be responsible to the Board of Deacons. The line of authority is more clear if the Deacons elect the Treasurer.

4) Concerning the offering for the saints in Jerusalem, Paul says in II Cor. 9:7, "Let each one do just as he has purposed in his heart; not grudgingly or under compulsion; for God loves a cheerful giver." And in II Cor. 8:12 we read, "For if the readiness is present, it is acceptable according to what a man has, not according to what he does not have." Romans 12:8 says "... he who gives, with liberality ..." Whether one holds that the tithe is a New Testament standard, or holds to proportionate giving, it is clear that giving to the Mercy Fund is on a different, voluntary, basis. This was commanded in the Old Testament: "When you have finished paying all the tithe of your increase in the third year, the year of tithing, then you shall give it to the Levite, to the stranger, to the orphan and to the widow, that they may eat in your towns, and be satisfied." (Deut. 26:12).

5) Synod has taken the position that Acts 6 gives the origin of the deaconate, and that the expression "to serve tables" includes both the care of the poor and the handling of finances. (**Minutes of Synod**, 1964, pp. 51-55)

1964 MINUTES OF SYNOD, pp. 50-55

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE BIBLICAL BASIS FOR DEACONS

Paper No. 12, Synod of 1961, reads as follows:

"Synod will hear this year the report of a special committee appointed last year to deal with Paper No. 7 which came in to the 1960 Synod. Copies of the report have already been made available to many members of Synod by mail. This committee was asked by the New York Presbytery to re-study the church's position with regard to the duties of the deacon, as it is set forth in the Book of Government Chapter 5, sec. 14, and to seek an answer to the question as to whether a congregation is permitted to set up, in addition to the Board of Deacons, a board of Trustees or a Board of Managers, to perform functions beyond the satisfaction of legal requirements."

The report that has been prepared, according to the chairman of the committee, did not attempt to discuss the Scriptural argument for deacons and their duties, nor did the committee understand this to be part of their assignment from the wording of the report. However, the original intent on the part of New York Presbytery was precisely that the scriptural-ness of the position might be taken up, dealt with carefully and reported, with accompanying recommendations, so that congregations might know Synod's direction in this matter.

Therefore, we would ask Synod to appoint another Committee to report to the 1962 Synod, this time to study thoroughly the Bible basis for the diaconate and to make specific recommendations to Synod in the light of their findings. In connection with this, the committee is asked to evaluate the following suggested changes in the Constitution (for possible overture) in the light of their study:

BOOK OF CHURCH GOVERNMENT, Chapter 3, Section 3. (1) Delete sentence No. 3 which reads "In some congregations a Board of Trustees performs the duties of the Board of Deacons." (2) Insert in place of the removed sentence No. 3 in Section 3 the following: "Presbyteries are directed to exercise due care and diligence to see that both sessions and boards of deacons are duly chosen, ordained and established in every congregation under their care."

(signed) J. Paul McCracken
Ernest J. McKeown

Your committee, which was appointed in accordance with the action taken on the above paper, has studied the New Testament use of the word "deacon" (diakonos), the corresponding verb "to serve, minister" (diakonia). The word "deacon" in the Greek was in use long before the office of the deacon in the church was established. It is something like our word "broadcast" for instance, a word used in agriculture long before radio was thought of, but which was found to fit the need for a word to describe sending by radio.

Hence, although we found the word "deacon" (diakonos) nine times in the Gospels, the word meaning to serve or minister (diakoneo) twenty times, and that the Gospel of Luke says Martha was cumbered about much serving (diakonia), not one of these refers to the church deacon. In the rest of the New Testament we have to determine whether these words are used in their original, general sense, or in a restricted and special sense of the deacon in the church and of his work.

In passing we should note that the sending of alms to needy Christians in Jerusalem, and Paul's work in carrying them and administering them are called a "diakonia." In this, and in his other work also, Paul designates himself as a deacon (diakonos). Even our Lord Jesus Christ is called a "minister (diakonos) of the circumcision for the truth of God." (Romans 15:8) Also He said of Himself, "even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto (diakonethenai) but to minister (diakonesai) and to give his life a ransom for many." Matthew 20:28; Mark 10:45.)

So we must be careful to take into consideration only the passages which do refer to the work of the deacon as an officer in the church. Let us consider Acts 6:16. (The argument of some that this passage does not refer to deacons as we know them now will be taken up later in this report.) In the church, just after Pentecost, "All that believed were together and had all things in common; and sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need." (Acts 2:44, 45) From Acts 4:32-47 we learn that they were of one heart and one soul and did not consider their possessions their own, so that no one lacked, for those having houses and lands sold them and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet, and distribution was made to every man as he had need. Then, as the number of disciples multiplied, the Greek speaking Jews began to feel that their widows were neglected in daily ministration (diakonia) and this caused a murmuring. Calling the multitude together, the twelve said it was not good that they, the apostles, leave incomplete their work with the word of God to serve tables. The whole group of believers, therefore, were to look about for seven men well attested, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom the Apostles might appoint over this

business. The apostles then would give themselves steadfastly to prayer and the ministry (diakonian) of the word. The words of the disciples pleased the brethren and they chose seven men whom they set before the apostles and when they had prayed they laid their hands on them, ordaining them.

What was the work of the deacon? "Serve tables" is diakonein trapezais, or "deacon" at (to) tables. What king of "tables?" Origen, who lived at the beginning of the third century, says, "The deacons preside over the money tables of the church as we are taught in the Acts of the Apostles." (Treatise 16th on Matthew—as quoted on p. 21 "The Deacon," by Dr. James M. Willson, D.D.) Origen takes the Greek word "trapeza" in the sense in which it is used in Matthew 21:12; 25:27; Luke 19:23; and John 2:15, that is in the sense of a "money table." Just as our English word "bank" is from the word meaning a counter, or bench, so the Greek word bank is "trapeza," from table. It is so translated in Luke 19:23 in the parable of the pounds, "into the bank (trapezan)." Dr. Miller of Princeton, in a foot-note to his treatise on the Ruling Elder, commenting on Acts 6:2, says, "It has been supposed by many that the phrase 'serving tables' in the history of the institution of the deacon's office had a reference either to the Lord's table or to overseeing and supplying the tables of the poor, or perhaps both. But I am inclined to believe that this is an entire mistake. The word trapeza signifies, indeed, a table; but, in this connection, it seems obviously to mean a money table, or a counter, on which money was laid. Hence trapezites, a money changer or money merchant. The plain meaning then of Acts 6 seems to be this.—'It is not suitable that we should leave the word of God and devote ourselves to pecuniary affairs." Calvin explained the expression "to serve tables," thus, "To attend to that which was then observed, the common tables and the other necessities of the church."

The expressions, "serve tables" (diakonein trapezas), "daily ministration" (diakonia te kathemerine), and "this business" (e chreia taute), refer to the same thing, the work which the apostles did at first and then turned over to the seven to do. We must remember that people were bringing money to the apostles, and, according to Acts 4:35. "Distribution was made to every man according as he had need." Thus the "daily distribution" would seem to be the management of this common fund created by the contributions of the disciples. From this the church expenses were defrayed, the poor were helped, and the apostles and other ministers were supported.

It was not just the care of the poor and the Grecian widows that was involved. If the money contributed had been only for this, then the apostles would have been guilty, or at least accused, of neglecting the very thing for which this fund was created and used and in attending to these the apostles were charged with overlooking the

Grecian widows. It seems evident that they were involved in administering the common funds for the good of all, and not just looking after the needs of widows. The usual meaning of the word translated "business" (chreia) is "need." It also has the idea of something useful. This needed, useful service was the whole of the administration day to day of the church funds. This view was adopted by the reformers both on the continent and in Scotland.

When Mary and her son, James VI, were violently opposed to the deacon, the nature of the deacon's office was closely and carefully examined by the Scottish Reformers. After thorough deliberation their conclusion, as found in the Second Book of Discipline, is explicitly stated as follows: "In the apostolic kirk, the deacons were appointed to collect and distribute what sum soever was collected of the faithful, to distribute unto the necessity of the saints; so that none lacked among the faithful. These collections were not only of that which was collected in manner of alms, as some suppose, but of other goods moveable and immoveable, of lands and possessions, the price whereof was brought to the feet of the apostles."

Among the commentators, Matthew Henry rightly says that the money to be administered by the deacons was that which was laid at the apostles' feet. Of the expression "serve tables," he says, "The receiving and paying of money was serving tables, too, like the tables of the money-changers in the temple." Of the seven he said, "Though they might be occasionally employed in the word and prayer, they were not so entirely devoted to it as the apostles were; and these must take care of the church's stock—must review and pay and keep accounts—and attend to all those things which are necessary in ordine and spiritualia—in order to spiritual exercises, that every thing might be done decently and in order and no person or thing neglected."

Scott says, "To lay out their contributions in the most satisfactory manner, both among the poor and in other necessary expenses." Origen has already geen quoted as saying that the deacons presided over the money tables of the church, showing that in the early church the work of the deacon was extended to more than just helping the poor. The expression "money tables" would include the administering of all church finances.

We have spent some time on this question because, even among modern writers, there are some who are contending that the work of the deacon was exclusively the distribution of alms, the care of the poor.

Another truth shown by this passage in Acts 6:1-6 is that the deacons were ordained. The people elected them, brought them before the apostles, and they were ordained with prayer and the lay-

ing on of hands. Here we have grounds for the election and ordination of deacons.

Some have argued that Acts 6:1-6 does not apply to the deacon in the church, so we should examine their argument. They say that the seven were not called deacons in this passage. True, they may not but the word diakonien, "to serve," is used, and the work is called diakonia, "service" or "ministry." For the writer of the Acts to use the word "deacon" would have been an anachronism, for these officers were not so named at that time. They are simply called the seven. Later, however, they were called deacons. Therefore, in later writings, we would expect to find the term diakonos used and this is probably what we do find. The letters to the Philippians and to Timothy were among the later New Testament writings and in them we find the deacon named. The letter to the Philippians is addressed to the saints in Philippi with the bishops and deacons. I Timothy not only names the deacons as officers but gives their qualifications.

A second argument is that the qualifications mentioned in Acts are not the same as those in I Timothy. The list of qualifications in Acts was not meant to be exhaustive but simply to emphasize the men chosen by the people as fit to take charge of the finances of the church ought to be well attested, full of the Holy Spirit, and wise. On the positive side we would point out that the work done by the seven is substantially that of the deacon in the church; that this choosing of the seven is one of the representative facts of which the earlier part of the Book of Acts is made up and that it is emphasized because it shows the institution of a new order of things in the church; and that the early church unanimously identified the seven with the office of the deacon. It is interesting to note that the church in Rome in the middle of the third century had 46 elders but only seven deacons. This number of deacons continued for two centuries more in Rome, but not in other churches, although the Council of Neocaesares enacted that there should be seven deacons because of the apostolic model. This rule was refuted and rejected, but it shows that the seven were considered deacons.

Now let us examine two undisputed passages. The first is Philippians 1:1, which reads, "Paul and Timotheus, the servants (douloi) of Jesus Christ, to all the saints in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi, with the bishops, (episkopoi) and deacons (diakonoi)." Here are two orders of church officers are mentioned, the bishops, or elders (for the words bishop and elder are used interchangeably in the New Testament), and the deacons. Here, then, we have definite scriptural authority for the office of the deacon.

Another undisputed passage is I Timothy 3:8-13. The chapter first gives the qualifications for bishops, or elders as they are called in

chapter 5, verse 17. Then follow the qualifications for the deacons, beginning. "Likewise must the deacons be grave, not double-tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre," etc. Here again we have an unquestioned Bible basis for the diakonate.

Next we will mention passages not so easily recognized as referring to the deacon and his work, yet so interpreted by many expositors. One such passage is in the familiar 12th chapter of Romans. Beginning with verse 6 we read, "Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; or ministry (diakonia), let us wait on our ministry (en te diakonia); or he that teacheth, on teaching: or he that giveth (o metadious), let him do it with simplicity (en aplotiti); he that ruleth, with diligence: he that sheweth mercy (o eleon), with cheerfulness (en ilarotiti)." (Rom. 12:6-8) Here we have the use of the word diakonia, ministry. The older expositors seem to have taken this as a reference to the work of the deacon without questioning it. Others apply it both in its general sense and in its restricted sense of the work of the church officer. Matthew Henry says, "If a man hath diakonian—the office of a deacon, or assistant to the pastor and teacher, . . ." Charles Hodge raises only the question as to whether it applies to the deacons only, or if it includes "all classes of ecclesiastical officers, including the apostles." He concludes that "most probably" it refers to the particular office of the deacon. In verse 8 the expression, "he that giveth" (o metadidous) is applied by these same commentators to the one "imparting" the church's help to the needy, in other words, to the deacon. To quote Charles Hodge again, "He that giveth, with simplicity. This direction, considered in reference to the deacons, whom, no doubt, Paul had principally in view, contemplates their duty of imparting or distributing to the necessity of the saints. This duty they are required to perform with simplicity, i.e., with purity of motive, free from all improper designs." (Hodge, Commentary on Romans, pp. 192, 193.) Dr. James H. Willson, whose work on the Deacon your committee has found most valuable, takes the expression, "he that sheweth mercy" (o eleon), of the work of the deacon, as well as the above expressions.

A second of these not so easily recognized passages is found in I Corinthians 12:28, "And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healing, helps, governments, diversities of tongues." The word "helps (antilepseis or antilempseis) is considered by even more authorities than we found for the passage in Romans to refer to deacons. Let us quote Thayer's Greek-English Lexicon, "antilepsis . . . plur., I Co xii, 28, the ministration of the deacons, who have the care of the poor and the sick."

A third passage is I Peter 4:10, 11. "As every man hath received the fits, even so minister (diakonountes) the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God; if any man minister (diakonei), let him do it as of the ability which God giveth . . ." Again we have a passage which may not apply exclusively to the deacon, but which does include his work, and which some apply to the deacon alone.

A fourth passage is Romans 16:1, "I command unto you Phebe our sister, which is a servant (diakonon) of the church which is at Cenchrea:" Lightfoot remarks that the seclusion of the female sex in Greece and some Oriental countries necessarily debarred them from the ministrations of men, so it was found necessary to admit women to the diakonate. He says, "A woman deacon belonging to the Church of Cenchrae is mentioned in the Epistle to the Romans," citing this verse. (The RSV has "deaconess" instead of "servant.") After serious study our Synod has allowed election of women to the diakonate.

Believing that the scriptural basis for the diakonate has been established by the references cited, your committee has not taken up the study of the words "younger" (used with "elder"), "young men," as possibly referring to deacons, and "wives" (literally "women"), and "widows," as perhaps referring to women deacons. We do feel, however that the practice of the early church should be cited to show that there were deacons in the first few centuries of the church. The letters of Ignatius, at the close of the first century and the beginning of the second attest the presence of deacons in the church to which he wrote, for he saluted or mentioned them in every letter, and also referred to them in his letter to Polycarp. Origen we have already quoted as saying about the deacons as officers in the church, "The deacons preside over the money-tables of the church." Cyprian, in the third century, writes to his brethren, "the elders and deacons." Epiphanius, a writer of the fourth century, says, "No church was without a deacon." In the apostolic canons the deacons were constantly mentioned. There can be no doubt but that deacons were in the apostolic church and were a distinct order in the church.

Entrusting the contributions to none but ordained officers in the New Testament church was simply following the principle that had been in operation for fifteen centuries. Management of funds was in the hands of the priests and Levites from the time of the Mosaic Law.

In the light of this study, and in harmony with the action of the Synod of 1857, your committee respectfully recommends:

1. That Synod direct the Presbyteries to see that a Board of Deacons be chosen and ordained in each congregation under their care not already having deacons.

2. That when it is necessary to have a Board of Trustees to satisfy legal requirements, these Trustees be chosen from the Deacon Board, and others as needed to make out the required members.
3. That the Book of Church Government, Chapter III, paragraph 3 page 234, be brought in line with the above actions.
4. That AS FAR AS POSSIBLE Synod's Board of Trustees be made up of ordained personnel.

REPORT OF CONGRESSIONAL RESPONSES TO THE RESOLUTIONS ON ABORTION ADOPTED BY THE 1981 SYNOD

By special resolution at the Synod of 1981 (**Minutes** pp. 116-117), letters were sent to President Reagan and all U.S. Senators regarding Senate Bill 158, the Helms Human Life Bill. President Reagan's response was pointedly pro-life. That of the thirty-two senators who replied, there were a diversity of responses which can be broken down into four basic categories:

Pro-life	Pro-abortion	Conditional	Non-committal
DeConcini	Biden	Kennedy	Armstrong
Denton	Bradley	Mathias	Baker
East (1/3/82)*	Dodd	Metzenbaum	Cochran
Hatch	Glenn	Specter	Heinz
Hatfield	Hayakawa	Thurmond	Percy
Helms	Levin		
Jepsen	Moynihan		
Kasten	Packwood		
Laxalt	Stevens		
Quayle	Tower		
Williams	Tsongas		

*Two letters, six months apart, indicate a later swing to a pro-life position.

R. B. Tweed

PAPERS PRESENTED TO THE 1982 SYNOD

PAPER 81-1 FROM ST. LAWRENCE PRESBYTERY

The St. Lawrence Presbytery would respectfully inform the Synod that the Ottawa Theological Hall has been formed under the auspices of the St. Lawrence Presbytery and, Lord willing, is prepared to begin classes in September of 1982.

In the light of the formation of the Seminary, the Presbytery is requesting that Dr. Richard L. Ganz be heard on the floor of Synod on behalf of the Ottawa Theological Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert G. Rice, Clerk

PAPER 82-2 FROM PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church
Dear Fathers and Brethren:

We, the members of the Session of the First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Beaver Falls, respectfully request your consideration of problems we have recently faced regarding participation in a teachers' strike and the general related matter of civil disobedience.

We make this request in compliance with the recommendation of the Ad Interim Commission of Pittsburgh Presbytery, which received and reviewed a letter from a member of our congregation who questioned our support of a member of session in his participation in a teacher's strike. We wish to summarize the circumstances and to outline our reasons for asking Synod's assistance to sessions who may be faced with similar situations.

The public school teachers of Boardman, Ohio, after extended efforts, through their association, to negotiate with the Board of Education regarding the welfare of teachers and their ability to teach effectively, became convinced that a strike would be necessary to bring the issues to the attention of the school patrons and community. They decided to strike, knowing that Ohio law prohibits teachers' strikes. Paul Patterson, a member of our Session, agreed with the decision and participated with other teachers in peaceful picketing and distribution of leaflets explaining the position of the teachers. A local judge issued on injunction on the teachers to return to the classrooms. The teachers refused to do so because of the Board's refusal to take up negotiations. Enforcing the court order, police

attempted to arrest a few pickets, but were forced to make a mass arrest. Only 12 "examples" were actually indicted and sentenced, however, and Mr. Patterson was one of those. The Board, responding to the judge's appeals and to public pressure, did resume negotiations and agreed to a contract which satisfied the demands of the teachers. The teachers who had been sentenced served 10 days confinement in the county jail on five successive weekends.

Mr. Patterson kept reporting to us the extent of his participation and sharing with us his struggle over the issues involved: The grounds for the teachers' disagreement with the Board, the purpose and justification for Ohio's law prohibiting teachers' strikes, and the extent of a Christian's obligation to obey civil authority. All of us felt that, step at a time, we would probably have done as he did, and so we offered the support of our prayers. We recognized the need for examination of Scriptural principles and discussed both in session and informally the questions which we felt should be raised. Although we do not anticipate any rule which can provide clear direction for every Christian faced with a similar situation, we recognize here some of the issues and principles which we feel Scripture requires us to recognize.

1. May a Christian join a union which engages in collective bargaining? (1) If such a membership does not compromise one's personal allegiance to Jesus Christ nor limit his Christian witness, (2) if the purposes of the union are public and just, (3) if procedures lead to fair contracts, (4) and if the union keeps its contracts, we believe a Christian may join.
2. May a Christian participate in an organized strike? (1) If working conditions are unacceptable, (2) if definite proposals for improving conditions have been rejected, (3) if the strike involves only peaceful picketing, (4) and if conditions for ending the strike are clearly stated, we believe the Christian's participation may be justified.
3. May a Christian knowingly disobey a civil law and/or a civil court injunction? (1) If the law or the injunction based on it is unjust, (2) if disobedience is public, (3) and if the consequences of disobedience are accepted, we believe the Christian may disobey.

Because we are well aware that our conclusions may be based on insufficient or inaccurate understanding of the Scriptural principles which should be applied, we are requesting further study, if the Synod finds the issues of sufficient importance. In this connection we would point out that the nature and extent of a Christian's submission to civil authority is involved in the military draft, which through the years has been a deep concern of Synod.

We would suggest one more more of the following actions in response to this paper:

1. Appointment of a special committee to consider the matters raised in this paper and to report its deliberations and recommendations to the 1983 Synod.
2. Reference of the matters raised in this paper to the committee now reviewing our position regarding conscientious objection to military service.
3. Approval of the conclusions of our Session here stated.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert R. Fullerton, Moderator
Charles Cunningham, Clerk

PAPER 82-6 FROM PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

The Pittsburgh Presbytery would respectfully request that the Synod organize a study of the use Christians can and should be making of the Lord's Day as a Sabbath of rest. Such a study should attempt to analyze the bearing that our modern society with all of its social and technological interdependence may have upon the way the Christian can properly and effectively implement the purpose of the Lord's Day. Such a study should also aim at devising realistic **guidelines** for our observance of the Lord's Day (rather than laws) which would help members of our church achieve a more effective grasp and appreciation of this aspect of God's will for our lives, as well as a more significant testimony toward the world.

Ronald Good, Moderator
Robert Fullerton, Clerk

PAPER 82-7 FROM PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

The Pittsburgh Presbytery would respectfully request that the Synod clarify the position of Stated Supply beyond that is presently stated in the **Book of Church Government.**

Robert R. Fullerton, Clerk

PAPER 82-9 FROM TWO MEMBERS OF THE COURT

Dear Fathers and Brethren,

This paper requests a special study committee to be appointed to accomplish two things respecting the baptism vows in relation to covenant children, vows now printed on Pages 314 and 315 in the Constitution.

I. That a clarification be made in Vow #2, adding the word "naturally" to the 4th line of this vow so that it would read, "to acquaint him with his naturally lost condition and need of a Saviour . . . "

This change, we believe, would make explicit what is presently assumed by this vow, but which unamended can be misunderstood. Our children are **by nature** lost, but they are **per se** lost—that is, simply because they are infants does not demand that regeneration has not taken place prior to baptism. The purpose of this vow is to remind parents that infant children are sinners, that by nature they are separated from God, and that they need to be taught the gospel as it applies to their need. The present wording seems to demand that the child is lost at the time of baptism. The Bible does not permit this assumption.

II. That the 4 vows be rewritten not to change the meaning of them, but to simplify and update the language of them so as to be more easily understood by parents and congregations. This re-writing would incorporate the above amendment.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul McCracken
Dean Smith

PAPER 82-10 FROM TWO MEMBERS OF THE COURT

We believe that it would be to the advantage of the Reformed Presbyterian Church to have more explicit guidelines to govern the use of **commissions** within the framework of our presbyterian system of church court. Therefore we would request the Synod to conduct a study of the nature and propriety of commissions as well as to indicate the limitations and safeguards which should attend their use.

Respectfully submitted,
G. Duncan Lowe
Ronald V. Good

PAPER 82-11 FROM FOUR MEMBERS OF THE COURT

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

In as much as a Theological Hall is being proposed at Ottawa, Ontario, it appears evident that Synod should carefully review the proposal. The concept of theological education for the particular needs of Canadian students is commendable. We appreciate the vision, energy and initiative of those who have proposed this institution.

This paper calls in question the philosophy of presbyterianism contained in the proposal and the proposed management of the institution. Although it appears to the signers of this paper that such a seminary might well be an extension of the theological seminary in Pittsburgh, such is not the case. It is an independent seminary seeking registration under the government of Ontario. The only connection this seminary appears to have with the Reformed Presbyterian Church is the endorsement which has been given it by the St. Lawrence Presbytery.

In our denomination the oversight of the training of theological students is exercised at the synodical level. The authority of the seminary is vested in the Board of Trustees, the members of which are elected by the Synod from ordained elders. In the case of the Ottawa Theological Hall, the only oversight granted by its constitution to the church is the presbytery's approval of trustees already chosen in a self perpetuating manner. The approval by presbytery of the present Board was not by ballot. Furthermore, one of the men appointed to the Board is neither a ruling or a teaching elder.

In the case of seminary professors, it is our established practice that they be nominated a year prior to their election by Synod. Usually a year elapses before they assume their teaching duties. Synod through its Board satisfies itself of their qualifications for professorship. No such examination in the church courts has been held regarding the proposed professors in the Ottawa Theological Hall.

In order that the extension of theological education in our denomination be based on sound ecclesiastical principles and gain the prayerful support of the entire church, we petition the Synod to appoint a special committee to study the proposal. We desire that a preliminary report be given to this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

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J. Paul McCracken
James D. Carson
Melville W. Martin

PAPER 82-12 FROM THREE MEMBERS OF THE COURT

CUTS is the acronym for Center for Urban Theological Studies in Philadelphia. The purpose is to provide Theological Training for minority-group pastors in the inner city.

The Synod of 1981 voted to loan $5,000.00 to the CUTS Program and directed New York Presbytery to seek to become a sponsoring agency.

William Edgar, pastor of Broomall Congregation taught during the spring quarter.

We are persuaded that the program is valuable and that it would be good if similar programs could be inaugurated in other cities.

We recommend that Synod make a cash contribution. We suggest that the amount be $1,000.00.

Robert W. McMillan
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PAPER 82-13 FROM TWO MEMBERS OF THE COURT

This question has come up in Synods (see **Minutes** 1966, paper 16; 1969, p. 167ff; 1972, p. 77ff) but seems not to have been answered to the satisfaction of the church. The standard answer has been that Roman Catholic baptism is invalid, a conclusion with which this committee disagrees.

What necessity has induced Synod to pronounce Luther, Calvin, and all of the men of that generation, as well as thousands who with no other than Roman Catholic baptism have since been received into Protestant churches, to have lived and died unbaptized?

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 94 "What is Baptism?" "Baptism is a Sacrament, wherein the washing with water, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, doth signify and seal our engrafting into Christ, and partaking of the benefits of the Covenant of grace, and our engagement to be the Lord's."

Baptism is a washing with water: Roman Catholics use water.

Baptism is a washing with water, IN THE NAME OF THE TRINITY: and the Catholic formula of Baptism IS Trinitarian. ("Rite of Baptism of a Child," from "Priests of the Sacred Heart," Hales Corner, Wisconsin 53130, p. 13.) Dr. Hodge, in his **Church Polity**, p. 193ff, traces through the Universal Church the commonality of accepting baptism from any particular church as being valid, so long as it is TRINITARIAN baptism; and cites Turretin (vol. iii. p. 442) as authority for accepting as valid the baptism of heretics (specifically, "the Papists and Arminians") who retain the essence of the ordinance and the true doctrine of the Trinity although erring in many other doctrines.

Baptism "doth signify and seal our engrafting into Christ—and our engagement to be the Lord's." Again, Catholic baptism meets this test: its intention (as expressed in "Rite of Baptism for a Child" cited above) is to obey Christ's command as evidence of having accepted the Covenant of Grace. By both Protestants and Catholics, by baptism we are formally constituted members of the visible church and par-

takers of its benefits. The great difference relates to the certainty with which that design/intention is accomplished, but their error cannot invalidate the ordinance: if their view of baptismal regeneration is asserted/allowed to invalidate their baptisms, then the baptism of the Lutherans and Anglicans is also invalid.

Since Roman Catholic ministers ARE regularly ordained, they meet the requirement of the **Westminster Confession of Faith**, XXVII, paragraphs three and four. Further, our subordinate standards do NOT say that baptism is a washing with water "by a minister duly ordained by an evangelical body." "Baptism signifies and seals our engrafting into Christ, and partaking of the benefits of the Covenant of Grace, and our engagement to be the Lord's:" it does not necessarily follow that baptism does not avail to that end unless administered by an evangelical minister rather than a Roman Catholic minister. Unless it can be demonstrated that Catholic priests are not "minister(s) of the word lawfully ordained" (**W.C.F.** XXVII, 4), we are not warranted in declaring their baptism invalid because of the administrator. (Our subordinate standards explicitly reject that argument: paragraph 3, of **W.C.F.** XXVII.) Further, under the Old Economy of the Covenant, those who were circumcised by apostate priests were not required by the inspired Prophets to be recircumcised: rebaptism as the New Testament sacrament paralleled to circumcision would seem to fall under that same lack of necessity.

If Catholic baptism is invalid because the Roman Catholic church is not a true church, then this denomination needs to say so and practice that consistently, which would impact upon our practice of "Session-controlled" communion. Since the Catholics hold to the authority of the Word, the deity and humanity of Christ, the Trinity, the atonement, the necessity of the working of the Holy Spirit, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, eternal life and the judgment, it seems that they retain enough truth to save the soul. Hence, their baptism should be accepted as valid.

Recommendations:

1. That the decision as to the validity of a baptism be left with the session of the congregation.
2. That to help the session make their decision, they review, with the candidate for church membership, the essential elements of valid Christian baptism.
3. That we delete the last eight words of paragraph 5, Chapter 2, **Book of Church Government**, and add this sentence: "The session of the congregation will decide as to the validity of the baptism in each individual case." (i.e., delete "by a recognized minister of any evangelical church.").

Stanley R. Copeland
Raymond P. Joseph

PAPER 82-14 FROM SIX MEMBERS OF THE COURT

Because Carleton is a family camp, and because fathers are an integral part of the family, and because many fathers are taken from their families by meetings of Synod at Carleton; we the undersigned recommend that:

1. The 1984 meeting of Synod meet for one day only.
2. That the 1983 moderator of Synod moderate the one day meeting.
3. That the meeting of Synod consider only abbreviated reports and recommendations Boards and permanent committees of Synod.
4. That the travel fund be limited to 20% of the cost of travel.
5. That all other business be held until the 1985 meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
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Single ..... $10,585.

(The above in addition to tuition through High School.)
An adjustment is made each month according to the cost of living index. Salaries are paid monthly.

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WOMEN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY
OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS—COMBINED FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 5, 1982

	BALANCE Jan. 10, 1981	RECEIPTS	DISBURSE-MENTS	BALANCE Jan. 5, 1982
Contingent Fund	$ 55.14	$ 1,609.29	$ 823.08	$ 841.35
Life & Memorial Fund	2,275.19	652.34	391.11	2,536.42
Thankoffering Fund		25,611.36	25,611.36	0
Special Projects Fund		2,215.20	2,215.20	0
Designated Funds		5,609.50	5,609.50	0
Total	$ 2,330.33	$35,697.69	$34,650.25	$ 3,377.77

BANK ACCOUNTS

Union National Bank of Pittsburgh—**Checking**				
Contingent Fund	$ 55.14	$ 1,609.29	$ 823.08	$ 841.35
Life & Memorial Fund	25.00	525.00	391.11	158.89
Thankoffering Fund		25,611.36	25,611.36	0
Special Projects Fund		2,215.20	2,215.20	0
Designated Funds		5,609.50	5,609.50	0
	$ 80.14	$35,570.35	$34,650.25	$ 1,000.24
First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Beaver Falls—**Savings**				
Life & Memorial Fund	$ 2,250.19	$ 127.34	0	$ 2,377.53
Total				$ 3,377.77

RECEIPTS

Iowa Presbyterial	$ 2,128.13
Midwest Presbyterial	11,368.50
New York Presbyterial	5,046.25
Ohio-Illinois Presbyterial	7,894.62
Pacific Coast Presbyterial	1,501.00
Pittsburgh Presbyterial	6,215.56
Miscellaneous Contributions	1,406.29
Interest	127.34
Total Receipts	$35,697.69

DISBURSEMENTS

Contingent Fund		
Treasurer's Bond	$ 36.00	
Uniform Program	584.12	
Officers & Superintendents expense	156.96	
Miscellaneous	46.00	
		$ 823.08
Thankoffering Fund		
Home Missions	8,537.12	
Foreign Missions	17,074.24	
		25,611.36
Special Projects Fund		
Anchorage, Alaska	108.89	
Car Fund for Japan	1,000.00	
R.P. Home—Residents Personal Fund	1,000.00	
Air Mail Postage for Witness	106.31	
		2,215.20
Life & Memorial Fund		
Anchorage, Alaska	391.11	
		391.11
Designated Funds		
Home Missions	355.00	
Foreign Missions	40.00	
Japan	1,028.00	
Geneva College	924.00	
Seminary	907.00	
R.P. Home	330.00	
Reformation Translation Fellowship	1,329.00	
Ottawa, Canada	10.00	
Knox Kindergarten	421.50	
Selma, Alabama	25.00	
State College, PA	95.00	
Kanata, Canada	25.00	
Colorado Springs	10.00	
Oswego	10.00	
Charles Leach	20.00	
Robert Tweed family	80.00	
Total Disbursements		5,609.50
		$34,650.25

Mrs. Willard Hemphill
Treasurer

I have checked these records and find the balance of $1,000.25 as of 1/5/82 to be correct.

Eve B. Hayes
2/2/82

IOWA
PRESBYTERY

CONGREGATION	Total Membership 1980	DECEMBER 31, 1981 MEMBERSHIP			INCREASE						DECREASE					Elders	Deacons	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE		C. Y. P. U.	Parsonage	1981 FINANCES									
		Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R. P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Other	Total			Worship	Sabbath School			RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS						
																						Balance 12-31-80	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R. P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-81	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1982
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Marion	48	49	33	16	1	1				2				1	1	4	3	31	29		Yes	1,703		24,358	24,358	13,044	1,000		9,869	23,913	2,148	16,047	13,274
Sharon	152	151	129	22	1	9		1		11	3	1	2	6	12	11	6	80	45	3	Yes	1,500		40,489	40,489	18,300	6,687	2,541	12,961	40,489	1,500	6,859	19,400
Washington	107	103	67	36	1	1				2	2		4		6	6					No	1,495		28,560	28,560	13,000		[a] 3,102	[b] 12,458	28,560	1,495	5,000	14,000
Ministerial Members	3	3	3																														
On Presbytery's Roll	25	25	22	3																													
TOTALS	335	331	254	77	3	11		1		15	5	1	6	7	19	21	9	111	74	3	2	4,698		93,407	93,407	44,344	7,687	5,643	35,288	92,962	5,143	27,906	46,674

a - radio ministry

b - includes $2,700 pastor's housing

MIDWEST PRESBYTERY	Total Membership 1980	DECEMBER 31, 1981 MEMBERSHIP			INCREASE						DECREASE						Elders	Deacons	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE		C. Y. P. U.	Parsonage	1981 FINANCES										
		Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Conf.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R. P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Other	Total				Worship	Sabbath School			RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS							
																							Balance 12-31-80	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-81	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1982
CONGREGATION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	28	30	31	32	33
Clarinda	33	45	*38	7	6	3	4			13	1				1	2	4	33			No	2,161		34,820	34,820	5,503	920	435	27,690	34,548	2,433	10,126	
Colorado Springs		22	16	6		1	18	3		22						1		24	24		No		3,000	17,259	20,259	16,175	200		2,772	19,147	1,112	114	17,669
Denison	101	101	78	23	3					3	1		2		3	7	7	70	64	6	Yes	3,511		37,195	37,195	12,100	6,000	1,816	16,306	36,222	4,484	12,989	12,700
Greeley	84	83	*75	8							1				1	9	6	38	36	4	Yes	2,507		28,990	28,990	13,997	700	2,288	12,821	29,806	1,691	2,221	12,200
Hays	35	40	27	13		1	2	1	2	6		1			1	2	2	40	35	1	No	1,230	6,700	25,343	32,043	14,652	1,679	1,509	14,076	31,916	1,357		15,100
Hebron	69	66	49	17	1	1				2	1	1	2	1	5	4	4	48	45		No	2,197		33,701	33,701	14,660	4,396	3,870	9,210	32,136	3,762	14,046	15,600
Lawrence	57	75	47	28	2	1	15	6	4	28		9	1		10	2		71	45		Yes	(-109)		43,108	43,108	14,808	300	227	28,729	44,064	(-1,065)	67	15,500
Minneola	50	44	39	5							1	4	1		6	4	2	46	47		No	18,579		44,047	44,047	16,250	2,388	8,612	31,757	59,007	3,619		16,000
Park City	43	42	26	16			1	2		3			2	2	4	3	2	30	18		Yes	5,419		15,557	15,557	6,786	1,500	681	8,841	17,808	3,168	3,150	
Quinter	85	85	67	18	1					1	1				1	5	4	63	60	13	Yes	(-15)		34,874	34,874	15,119	1,359	2,798	15,555	34,831	28	122	15,119
Shawnee	136	138	104	34	4	8	1	4		17		8		7	15	6	10	115	94	9	No	8,600		96,550	96,550	26,514	13,800	2,287	52,133	94,734	10,416		29,166
Sterling	106	108	82	26	4		1		3	8		2	3	1	6	6	6	85	60		Yes	21,820		47,347	47,347	8,997	7,850	2,070	37,178	56,095	13,072		16,600
Superior-Beulah	51	47	43	4		1		2		3		1	4	2	7	3	4	27	18	4	Yes	594		10,912	10,912	2,377	100	1,356	7,300	11,133	373	2,867	5,000
Topeka	152	146	*127	19	2	15	1			18	5	3		16	24	6	6	110	94	10	Yes	32,645		79,388	79,388	15,480	18,700	7,950	39,664	81,794	30,239		20,000
Westminster	60	52	33	19	4		2	1		7		15			15	2	3	53	53		No	1,356		42,026	42,026	18,000	1,200	902	20,237	40,339	3,043		19,800
Winchester	79	75	*58	17							2		2		4	3	4	65	44	2	Yes	5,980		35,087	35,087	14,147	3,500	1,766	19,973	39,386	1,681	3,746	15,175
*Does not include 4 members who are teaching elders listed under 'Ministerial Members'																																
Ministerial Members	26	30	30				4			4																						
On Presbytery's Roll	5	2	2								1	2			3																	
TOTALS	1,172	1,201	941	260	27	32	50	17	9	135	14	46	17	29	106	65	64	918	737	49	9	106,475	9,700	626,204	635,904	215,565	64,592	38,567	344,242	662,966	79,413	49,448	225,629

NEW YORK PRESBYTERY	Total Membership 1980	DECEMBER 31, 1981 MEMBERSHIP															AVERAGE ATTENDANCE		C. Y. P. U.	Parsonage	1981 FINANCES									
		Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	INCREASE						DECREASE					Elders	Deacons						RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS					
					By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R. P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Other	Total			Worship	Sabbath School			Balance 12-31-80	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-81	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1982
CONGREGATION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Broomall	63	50	44	6			1			1	1	2	7	4	14	4	3	40	35		Yes	5,420		41,490	41,490	9,815	5,350	516	23,215	38,896	8,014	11,772	*12,655
Cambridge	44	46	40	6		3	2			5	1	1		1	3	5	2	30	25		Yes	1,582		23,535	23,535	10,633	1,950	349	11,008	23,940	1,177	20,837	12,400
Coldenham-Newburgh	101	105	80	25	3	8				11	1		4	2	7	9	6	79	60	8	Yes	4,657		64,595	64,595	16,000	5,800	16,200	29,913	67,913	1,339	135,046	17,200
Easton ****	11	0	0									11			11							305						305	305	0		
Elkins Park	52	50	43	7		2		2		4	3		2	1	6	4	3	30	18		Yes	5,796		28,067	28,067	10,500	585	2,944	15,042	29,071	4,792	12,086	12,500
Ridgefield Park	76	77	72	5	1					1					0	4	4	40	18		No	(***11,201)		56,783	56,783	6,000	5,000	2,168	42,278	55,446	(***9,864)	158,000	*6,000
White Lake	25	44	23	21	14	8			1	23			3	1	4	2	3	39	28	10	No	64	15,300	15,285	30,585	9,500	900	25	18,150	28,575	2,074	3,400	*9,500
Ministerial Members	7	8	8					2		2				1	1																
On Presbytery's Roll		8	8					8		8																					
TOTALS	379	388	318	70	18	21	13	2	1	55	6	14	16	10	46	28	21	258	184	18	4	6,623	15,300	229,755	245,055	62,448	19,585	22,202	139,911	244,146	7,532	341,141	70,255

* Includes housing and insurance

** Does not include housing and insurance

*** Debit balance

**** Easton discontinued 12/31/80

OHIO-ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY	DECEMBER 31, 1981 MEMBERSHIP																AVERAGE ATTENDANCE				1981 FINANCES													
					INCREASE							DECREASE											RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS								
CONGREGATION	Total Membership 1980	Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R. P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Other	Total	Elders	Deacons	Worship	Sabbath School	C. Y. P. U.	Parsonage	Balance 12-31-80	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R. P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-81	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1982
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Belle Center	28	31	26	5	2		2			4				1	1	3	2	33	26	10	Yes	13,933		21,833	21,833	10,257	3,132	2,800	3,639	19,828	15,938	10,000	10,560
Bloomington	92	91	77	14						0	1				1	4	8	71	32	Yes	Yes	9,443		39,794	39,794	14,360	6,005	7,907	13,898	42,170	7,067		
Chicago (M. S.)	9	8	7	1						0				1	1	0						24,808		8,697	8,697	1,655	128		144	1,927	31,578		
Columbus	36	40	27	13	2		2			4					0	2	0	45	30		No	1,319	2,000	27,314	29,314	21,068		1,201	6,658	28,927	1,706	12,050	23,079
Hetherton	47	37	30	7						0		3		7	10	2	2	33	22	Yes	Yes	588	5,500	15,461	20,961	12,145	1,119		7,488	20,752	797		
Indianapolis	156	154	102	52	4	6				10		5	7		12	9	5	95	80			4,829		93,758	93,758	22,500	5,000	5,800	60,062	93,362	5,225	31,117	22,500
Oakdale	57	57	51	6						0					0	5	3	39	40		Yes	4,149		30,296	30,296	11,500	5,606	3,572	9,383	30,061	4,384		12,100
Ogemaw	26	27	16	11			2			2				1	1	2	1	25	22	No	No	609		20,567	20,567	11,500		1,041	8,284	20,825	351	2,883	12,420
Orlando	119	121	85	36	2	1		1	1	5	1	2			3	5						13,450		66,973	66,973	18,000	8,050	381	47,478	73,909	6,514		19,200
Selma	83	74	55	19	3					3				12	12	2	6	50	20		Yes	3,610		24,749	24,749	8,067	87		16,656	24,810	3,549		
Southfield	40	38	32	6	1		2	2		5		3	4		7	4	3	35	30	4	Yes	38,212		34,581	34,581	14,333	3,545	11,922	115	29,915	42,878		14,833
Southside Indianapolis	53	61	41	20	4	1	1	3		9				1	1	5	3	55	55	No	No	24,120		64,441	64,441	17,225	1,000	1,680	29,290	49,195	39,366		19,200
Sparta	49	44	36	8	1			1		2	1		1	5	7	5	2	38	40		Yes	23,497		45,527	45,527	15,000	6,140	2,000	10,063	33,203	35,821		16,500
West Lafayette	79	76	62	14	2				16	18		4	5	12	21	4	0	70	60	No	No	553	2,877	50,686	53,563	30,400	720	2,160	20,151	53,431	685	4,275	
Ministerial Members On Presbytery's Roll	20	22	22						2	2																							
TOTALS	894	881	669	212	21	8	9	7	19	64	3	17	17	40	77	52	35	589	457		7	163,120	10,377	544,677	555,054	208,010	40,532	40,464	233,309	522,315	195,859	60,325	150,392

* Associate plus housing

PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY	Total Membership 1980	DECEMBER 31, 1981 MEMBERSHIP															AVERAGE ATTENDANCE		C. Y. P. U.	Parsonage	1981 FINANCES									
		Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	INCREASE						DECREASE					Elders	Deacons				RECEIPTS				DISBURSEMENTS					
					By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R. P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Other	Total			Worship	Sabbath School			Balance 12-31-80	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-81	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1982
CONGREGATION	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Anchorage	17	26	12	14	5	4				9						3	1	25			No	2,902	15,217	16,519	31,736	24,980			5,378	30,358	4,280		29,000
Fresno	58	61	47	14	1	5	1			7		4			4	3	5	30	34		Yes	9,621		25,230	25,230	8,688	1,045	3,766	11,968	25,467	9,384	3,104	11,550
Los Angeles	99	99	85	14		4	2	1		7	2		5		7	4	4	40	22		No	(-75)		47,525	47,525	20,000	7,930	5,750	13,100	46,780	670	34,850	21,000
Phoenix	59	67	39	28	7	3	1	6		17	1		2	6	9	2	3	65	55		No	1,637		35,052	35,052	18,870	1,555		14,218	34,643	2,046	1,000	20,250
San Diego	38	42	27	15	2	3				5	1				1	4	1	50	30		No	8,305		35,520	35,520	20,632	2,299	2,212	11,170	36,313	7,512		22,312
Santa Ana	43	35	28	7							1	2	2	3	8	3	3	25	20		No	1,730		14,468	14,468	6,950	1,000	700	6,806	15,456	742	156,037	7,550
Seattle	102	106	75	31	2	6				8			3	1	4	4	5	88	60		Yes	20,759		55,401	55,401	18,200	7,307	5,497	33,346	64,350	11,810	69,230	20,400
Ministerial Members	8	8	8																														
On Presbytery's Roll	2	2	2																														
TOTALS	426	446	323	123	17	25	4	7		53	5	6	12	10	33	23	22	323	221		2	44,879	15,217	229,715	244,932	118,320	21,136	17,925	95,986	253,367	36,444	264,221	132,062

PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

CONGREGATION	Total Membership 1980	DECEMBER 31, 1981 MEMBERSHIP															AVERAGE ATTENDANCE		C. Y. P. U.	Parsonage	1981 FINANCES										
		Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	INCREASE						DECREASE					Elders	Deacons				Balance 12-31-80	RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS					Cash Balance 12-31-81	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1982
					By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R. P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Other	Total			Worship	Sabbath School				Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Allegheny	54	50	49	1			2			2	3			3	6	4	9	54	40		No	190		34,845	34,845	13,200	1,601	1,538	18,514	34,853	182	36,072	14,675
College Hill	210	*208	149	59	4	2	3	2		11		3	7	3	13	12	15	225	120	10	Yes	7,117		120,964	120,964	15,300	12,500	9,780	87,670	125,250	2,831	3,729	16,810
Covenant Fellowship	91	126	90	36	10	3	15	20		48		8	4	1	13	3	3	135	135		No	1,334		62,008	62,008	17,200	6,385	3,500	37,781	64,866	(-1,524)		19,000
Eastvale	78	78	64	14			3			3	1	2			3	5	8	55	45	5	Yes	2,526		29,896	29,896	8,427	3,452	17,833	32	29,744	2,678	1,242	11,300
1st Beaver Falls	155	*145	113	32	4		4			8	1		1	16	18	9	9	79	44		Yes	2,015		51,452	51,452	4,237	9,100	3,269	34,731	51,337	2,130	43,673	16,500
Geneva	174	*157	130	27		1	2			3	1	7	3	9	20	11	11	180	90	8	No	9,081		95,220	95,220	18,000	12,000	14,207	53,267	97,474	6,827	36,427	19,000
Manchester	76	65	49	16	2					2	1	3		9	13	2	2	15	8		Yes	3,692		18,413	18,413	9,978	500	2,462	5,213	18,153	3,952	8,687	
New Alexandria	94	98	60	38	2	1	2	2	1	8	2	2			4	2	6	54	37	8	Yes	6,787		29,509	29,509	13,300	279	1,578	16,856	32,013	4,283		14,300
New Castle	16	24	23	1	1	3	4	1		9		1			1	3	2	14	10		Yes	1,922		14,311	14,311	11,289	967		3,127	15,383	850	41,343	10,320
North Hills	109	*104	70	34	3	3	2			8		9	4		13	4	5	65	45	Yes	No	289		99,860	99,860	*14,475	6,314	7,425	71,668	99,882	267	275,000	*11,600
Rimersburg	83	79	54	25	1					1	1		4		5	3	3	36	24		Yes	1,752	2,000	20,217	22,217	13,300	330	415	8,355	22,400	1,569	3,800	13,900
Rose Point	80	88	72	16	1	2	5	3		11		3			3	6	7	65	47	8	Yes	3,868		35,700	35,700	14,000	4,800	4,500	15,840	39,140	428	3,742	
Tusca Area	52	40	22	18								3	4	5	12	3	1	35	30	5	No	12,488		19,859	19,859	8,911	300	400	11,295	20,906	11,441	14,800	
State College (M.S.)	16	22	16	6	2	4				6					0							275	15,506	7,726	23,322	13,760			9,833	23,593	4		15,000
Union (M.S.)	23	23	23				1			1	1				1			12	6		No	2,100		4,917	4,917	2,565			3,930	6,495	522	4,600	2,600
Wilkinsburg	18	0	0									18			18							402							402	402	0		
* Membership does not include teaching elders on roll of Presbytery																							* 6 months									
Ministerial Members	34	31	31				1			1	1	2	1		4																	
On Presbytery's Roll	1	16	16				15			15																						
TOTALS	1364	1354	1031	323	30	19	59	28	1	137	12	61	28	46	147	67	81	1,024	681	44	8	55,838	17,596	644,897	662,493	177,942	58,528	66,907	378,514	681,891	36,440	473,115	165,005

ST. LAWRENCE PRESBYTERY

CONGREGATION	Total Membership 1980	DECEMBER 31, 1981 MEMBERSHIP																AVERAGE ATTENDANCE		C. Y. P. U.	Parsonage	1981 FINANCES									
		Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	INCREASE						DECREASE					Elders	Deacons					RECEIPTS				DISBURSEMENTS					
					By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom	Other	Total	Deaths	To R. P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Other	Total			Worship	Sabbath School			Balance 12-31-80	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-81	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1982
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Almonte ****	62	65	50	15		2		2		4	1				1	4	4	43	33	6	Yes	9,503		43,071	43,071	13,500	3,153	2,969	16,070	35,692	16,882		16,000
Lisbon	35	34	28	6	1					1		1		1	2	2	3	38	35	5	Yes	5,677		20,125	20,125	10,800	483	624	6,918	18,825	6,977		10,800
Lochiel	16	16	12	4						0					0	2	0	5	5		Yes	1,893		2,577	2,577	1,000	229	910	1,215	3,354	1,116		
Oswego	11	16	13	3	1	2	1	1		5					0	1		20	20		No	799	5,415	13,315	18,730	14,944 **			3,965	18,909	620		19,359 ***
Ottawa ****		26	21	5	2	13	5	6		26					0	2	1	20	5		No		12,335	26,693	39,028	34,800			3,923	38,723	305		17,000
Rochester Fellowship	11	13	10	3			1	1		2					0	1		20	20		No	596	6,366	14,374	20,740	10,300 *		144	10,371	20,815	521	445	10,432
Syracuse	72	76	52	24	4	2				6		2			2	4	5	130	80		2	1,282		60,755	60,755	23,333 *	3,000	9,147	25,954	61,434	603	8,361	18,000
Walton	89	87	68	19					1	1	3				3	5	5	58	45	8	Yes	3,173		53,079	53,079	3,865	6,000	4,200	36,900	50,965	5,287	16,883	11,000
Ministerial Members On Presbytery's Roll	10	9	9							0	1				1																	
TOTALS	306	342	263	79	8	19	7	11		45	5	3		1	9	21	18	334	243	19	6	22,923	24,116	233,989	258,105	112,542	12,865	17,994	105,316	248,717	32,311	25,689	102,591

* Three men's salaries

** Two men's salaries including housing allowances

*** One salary not including housing allowance

**** Canadian currency (U.S. values are 80% of given figures)

JAPAN
PRESBYTERY

CONGREGATION	Total Membership 1980	DECEMBER 31, 1981 MEMBERSHIP															AVERAGE ATTENDANCE		C. Y. P. U.	Parsonage	1981 FINANCES									
		Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	INCREASE						DECREASE					Elders	Deacons				RECEIPTS				DISBURSEMENTS					
					By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R. P. Congr.	To Other Denom.	Other	Total			Worship	Sabbath School			Balance 12-31-80	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R.P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements	Cash Balance 12-31-81	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1982
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Higashisuma	61	63	49	14	6					6		4			4	3	4	59	26	10	Yes	[a]275		24,760	24,760	18,433		1,230	5,201	24,864	171	16,254	18,433
Kasumigaoka	40	44	27	17			4	1		5			1		1	1	1	27	26	2	Yes	[a]367		13,758	13,758	8,112		525	4,836	13,473	652	7,040	8,112
Keiyaku	63	66	38	28	3			1		4		1			1	1	2	30	18	5	Yes	[a](-1,779)		17,906	17,906	8,848		747	6,200	15,795	332	6,995	9,502
Kitasuzurandai (M.S.)																		12	25		Yes	[a]1,053	691	4,004	4,695				1,480	1,480	4,268		
Mukonose (M.S.)	2	3	3				1			1								17	24		Yes	[a]701	1,037	5,362	6,399				7,050	7,050	50	11,755	
Ministerial Members	3	3	3																														
On Presbytery's Roll																																	
TOTALS	169	179	120	59	9	0	5	2	0	16	0	5	1	0	6	5	7	145	119	17	5	617	1,728	65,790	67,518	35,393		2,502	24,767	62,662	5,473	42,044	36,047

a - Figures in dollars at $1= 205 yen in 1980
Other figures listed in dollars at $1 = 217 yen in 1981

PRESBYTERIES / CONGREGATION	Total Membership 1980	DECEMBER 31, 1981 MEMBERSHIP															AVERAGE ATTENDANCE		C. Y. P. U.	Parsonage	1981 FINANCES										
		Total Membership	Communicant	Baptized, not Prof.	INCREASE						DECREASE					Elders	Deacons					RECEIPTS			DISBURSEMENTS				Cash Balance 12-31-81	Other Assets	Pastor's Salary 1982
					By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Other	Total	Deaths	To R. P. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Other	Total			Worship	Sabbath School			Balance 12-31-80	Supplemental Aid From Presbytery	Other	Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	Synod's Budget	Other R. P. Works	Other	Total Disbursements			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33
Iowa	335	331	254	77	3	11		1		15	5	1	6	7	19	21	9	111	74	3	2	4,698		93,407	93,407	44,344	7,687	5,643	35,288	92,962	5,143	27,906	46,674
Midwest	1,172	1,201	941	260	27	32	50	17	9	135	14	46	17	29	106	65	64	918	737	49	9	106,475	9,700	626,204	635,904	215,565	64,592	38,567	344,242	662,966	79,413	49,448	225,629
New York	379	388	318	70	18	21	13	2	1	55	6	14	16	10	46	28	21	258	184	18	4	6,623	15,300	229,755	245,055	62,448	19,585	22,202	139,911	244,146	7,532	341,141	70,255
Ohio-Illinois	896	881	668	212	21	8	9	7	19	64	3	17	17	40	77	52	35	589	457	14	7	163,120	10,377	544,677	555,054	208,010	40,532	40,464	233,309	522,315	195,859	60,325	150,392
Pacific Coast	426	446	323	123	17	25	4	7		53	5	6	12	10	33	23	22	323	221		2	44,879	15,217	229,715	244,932	118,320	21,136	17,925	95,986	253,367	36,444	264,221	132,062
Pittsburgh	1,366	1,354	1,031	323	30	19	59	28	1	137	12	61	28	46	147	67	81	1,024	681	44	8	55,838	17,596	644,897	662,493	177,942	58,528	66,907	378,514	681,891	36,440	473,115	165,005
St. Lawrence	306	342	263	79	8	19	7	11		45	5	3		1	9	21	18	334	243	19	6	22,923	24,116	233,989	258,105	112,542	12,865	17,994	105,316	248,717	32,311	25,689	102,591
TOTAL Home Field	4,879	4,943	3,798	1,144	124	135	142	73	30	504	50	148	96	143	437	277	250	3,557	2,597	147	38	404,556	92,306	2,602,644	2,694,950	939,171	224,925	209,702	1,332,566	2,706,364	393,142	1,241,845	877,608
Japan Commission	169	179	120	59	9		5	2		16		5	1		6	5	7	145	119	17	5	617	1,728	65,790	67,518	35,393		2,502	24,767	62,662	5,473	42,044	36,047
Ministerial Members On Presbytery's Roll																																	
TOTALS	5,045	5,122	3,919	1,203	133	135	147	75	30	520	50	153	97	143	443	282	257	3,702	2,716	164	43	405,173	94,034	2,668,434	2,762,468	974,564	224,925	212,204	1,357,333	2,769,026	398,615	1,283,889	928,655

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